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3 **on former Laurasian continents: a case study of *Willemia* (Collembola)**

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31 **ABSTRACT**

32 **Aim** Certain species have few living relatives, i.e., occupy low clade ranks. Hence, they
33 possess high conservation value and scientific interest as unique representatives of ancient
34 lineages. However, we do not know whether particular environments favour the maintenance
35 of low clade ranks or whether the distribution of environments across the globe affects the
36 global distribution of clade ranks and, hence evolutionary uniqueness. In this study, we tested
37 whether and how harsh environments decrease the clade ranks of the species that inhabit
38 them.

39 **Location** Global

40 **Methods** We described the phylogeny of the collembolan genus *Willemia* by a parsimonious
41 method based on 52 morphological characters and estimated the species' use of harsh
42 environments (polar, high-mountain, desert, polluted, waterlogged, saline, and acidic) from
43 248 publications.

44 **Results** We found that the use of different types of harsh environments is maintained among
45 close relatives and has similar phylogenetic signals (except for the use of salinity). The use of
46 harsh environments might therefore affect the diversification of lineages. Correcting for the
47 phylogenetic non-independence of species, we found that species using harsh environments
48 have comparatively low clade ranks. We also found that species using harsh environments
49 occur almost exclusively on former Laurasian continents and that as a statistical consequence,
50 Laurasian species tend to have lower clade ranks.

51 **Main Conclusions** We suggest that harsh environments maintain low-clade-rank species by
52 decreasing, simultaneoulsy or successively, extinction and speciation, which may eventually
53 explain the major variation in clade rank across the globe.

54 **Keywords** abiotic stress; diversification; habitat; niche conservatism; phylogenetic
55 reconstruction; phylogenetic generalised least squares; phylogenetic principal components;
56 phylogenetic permutation; root-skewness test; tropical
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58 **INTRODUCTION**

59 Extant species can occupy very different clade ranks within a phylogenetic topology. Certain
60 species have very few living relatives and thus occupy a low clade rank, whereas others have
61 much higher clade ranks. Species of low clade rank are the sole extant representatives of their
62 lineages and hence have a high evolutionary uniqueness: the loss of a low-clade-rank species
63 implies the loss of more evolutionary history than the loss of a high-clade-rank species
64 (Purvis *et al.*, 2000; Prinzing *et al.*, 2004; Colles *et al.*, 2009). For this reason, it is important
65 to understand whether low-clade-rank species are maintained to a greater extent in certain
66 environments or regions than in others.

67 It has been suggested that species of low clade rank persist and accumulate in regions
68 with low extinction rates (Willis, 1922; Condamine *et al.*, 2012), notably due to relatively
69 stable climates, especially in the tropics (Wiens & Donoghue, 2004; Jablonski *et al.*, 2006;
70 Hawkins *et al.*, 2007; Donoghue, 2008; Buckley *et al.*, 2010). Furthermore, low clade rank
71 has been suggested to reflect a relatively low speciation rate, as has been proposed for the
72 regions outside the tropics (Willis, 1922; Jablonski, 1993, 1999; Chown & Gaston, 2000;
73 Jablonski *et al.*, 2006). Overall, species of low clade rank can be expected to most likely
74 accumulate in regions in which a low speciation (or immigration) rate very roughly outweighs
75 a low rate of extinction (or emigration). There would be no net effect on species richness
76 under such circumstances.

77 The distribution of clade ranks across regions has received considerable attention,
78 whereas the distribution of clade ranks across types of environments (broadly, “habitats”) has
79 received much less attention. Bartish *et al.* (2010) have recently shown that within a region,
80 particular harsh environments might be colonised by species of particularly low clade rank:
81 across 40 different habitats in the Netherlands, those with extremely high soil moisture and

82 extremely low soil pH were characterised by low mean clade ranks of their angiosperm
83 inhabitants. However, this analysis was restricted to a single, small region and might not
84 reflect (or influence) globally coherent patterns. Here, we define abiotically harsh
85 environments as environments that tend to impose a major direct physiological stress on most
86 species of a given lineage — i.e., a constraint on growth and reproduction (sensu Grime,
87 1977) — with the obvious exceptions of highly tolerant species and sub-lineages. We can
88 speculate that harsh environments might indeed reduce extinction rates, as patches of harsh
89 environments remain present at least locally at any given time in any region and maintain
90 gene flow (Behrensmeyer et al. 1992), and species in harsh environments might rarely be
91 driven to extinction by biotic interactions (Grime 1977, Callaway et al. 2002). In addition,
92 harsh environments might possibly reduce speciation rates by reducing two of the major
93 triggers of speciation: (i) recombination events, which become rarer with environmental
94 harshness due to increased generation times (Grime 1977), and (ii) evolutionary arms races
95 between prey and their natural enemies, which become less diverse with harshness due to a
96 reduction in the number of trophic levels (Vermeij 1987). We therefore hypothesise that clade
97 ranks are lower in harsh environments (whereas species richness is not affected).

98 Whatever the relationship between environmental harshness and clade rank, the
99 existence of such a relationship requires that there is no trade-off between the capacity to use
100 different types of harsh habitats; otherwise, the average harshness of the habitat used by any
101 species would be intermediate (see Hoffmann & Parsons, 1997 for possible mechanisms). The
102 existence of a relationship between harshness and clade rank would also require that the use
103 of harsh and mesic environments is phylogenetically conserved so that related species tend to
104 have similar affinities to harsh and mesic environments (see Prinzing *et al.*, 2001,
105 phylogenetic signal sensu Losos, 2008). Without such conservatism, past patterns of
106 speciation and extinction in ancestral environments would not be transmitted to distributions

107 of clade ranks in present-day environments (Condamine *et al.*, 2012). However, certain
108 authors suggest that the capacity to use harsh environments can evolve and disappear rapidly
109 (see Hoffmann & Parsons, 1997 and Hoffmann & Willi, 2008 for mechanisms), particularly if
110 expansions and constrictions of such harsh environments may trigger the acquisition or loss of
111 the capacity to use these environments (Gaston, 1998) and if the use of harsh environments
112 imposes a cost (but see Gaston, 2003). We hence hypothesise that the use of harsh habitats is
113 not constrained by a trade-off between different types of harshness and is phylogenetically
114 conserved.

115 Should particular environments maintain low-clade-rank species and particular regions
116 maintain these particular environments and their inhabitants, we would expect to observe that
117 these regions also maintain many low-clade-rank species (see also Donoghue, 2008). We can
118 speculate that selection might have favoured the use of harsh habitats far from the tropics
119 (Jablonski, 2008), especially in the Northern Hemisphere, where a steep latitudinal gradient of
120 decreasing biodiversity can be observed today (Chown *et al.*, 2004). Given that the clade rank
121 of a species reflects the outcome of millions of years of evolutionary history, the past
122 differentiation of regions, notably the distinction between Laurasia and Gondwana, might be
123 more important than their present-day configuration. One might speculate that past
124 environments were harsher, on average, in Laurasia than in Gondwana (Vršanský, 2005; Crisp
125 *et al.*, 2010), reflecting, among other differences, the larger surface area of the landmasses in
126 northern compared to southern temperate regions. Larger landmass would produce more
127 climatic and thereby edaphic extremes in Laurasia and its descendent land masses than in
128 Gondwana, except for Antarctica (Chown *et al.*, 2004). Additionally, even restricted periods
129 of harsh conditions might leave a strong signal in a continental fauna if the vast majority of
130 the continent became harsh and later recolonisation was slow. This regional origin and
131 maintenance of species might still be reflected by a larger number of low-clade-rank species

132 in landmasses stemming from Laurasia (centres of origin, Myers & Giller, 1988). Moreover,
133 independent of the above speculations, given what we know of the present worldwide
134 distribution of soils (FAO-UNESCO, 2007), climates (World Climate Map, 2012) and human
135 activities, harsh environments (e.g., soil acidity, drought, frost, waterlogging, heavy metal
136 contamination), with the exception of seashore salinity, appear to be more widely distributed
137 in ex-Laurasian than in ex-Gondwanan continents. Whatever the precise causes, we can
138 hypothesise that non-tropical regions and those of Laurasian origin harbour more low-clade-
139 rank species, largely as a consequence of the increased numbers of species using harsh
140 habitats.

141 The predictions derived from these hypotheses can be tested across extant species
142 belonging to monophyletic lineages that are ancient (having survived several ecological crises
143 and dating back to the Laurasia/Gondwana epochs), highly diversified and distributed
144 worldwide. Collembola (springtails) are one such old, diversified lineage dating back to the
145 Early Devonian (Hirst & Maulik, 1926; Greenslade & Whalley, 1986; Grimaldi, 2010), and
146 most actual forms, at the family or even genus level, are known from the Cretaceous
147 (Christiansen & Pyke, 2002a, b). Among the cladistic studies conducted on Collembola, the
148 genus *Willemia* deserves special attention given its wide distribution from both an ecological
149 and a biogeographical point of view. The genus is monophyletic and comprises a large
150 number of species for which phylogenetic trees can be reconstructed unambiguously
151 (D'Haese & Weiner, 1998; D'Haese, 1998, 2000 for subtrees of the genus). In addition,
152 certain species of *Willemia* are known for their preferential use of arid (Thibaud & Massoud,
153 1988), polar (Sørensen *et al.*, 2006), mountainous (Loranger *et al.*, 2001), acidic (Ponge,
154 1993), saline (D'Haese, 2000), or polluted (Filser & Hölscher, 1997) environments. The
155 genus is also representative of many others in the absence of a time-calibrated phylogeny due
156 to the scarcity of fossil records. This lack of information renders approaches based on branch

157 length inapplicable but does not affect approaches based on clade ranks. Obviously, *Willemia*
158 is only one out of an almost infinite number of genera. However, studying one genus may
159 help to develop a methodological approach for teasing apart the associations between the use
160 of harsh environments and patterns of diversification within a phylogenetic context. This
161 approach may then be applicable to other genera and larger taxonomic units.

162 To evaluate the relationship between the use of harsh environments and clade rank, we
163 tested whether (i) the use of different types of harsh environment is positively rather than
164 negatively correlated (i.e., species tend to be able to tolerate either a broad range of harsh
165 environments or none) and is phylogenetically conserved in the sense of being more similar
166 among phylogenetically closely related species than among more distantly related species;
167 and (ii) species using harsh habitats consistently occupy low clade ranks rather than being
168 randomly scattered across the phylogeny, and these harsh environments tend to be the
169 ancestral environments of such low-clade-rank species, which are as numerous as species
170 absent from such harsh environments. To evaluate the relationship between geographic
171 region, use of harsh environments and clade rank, we tested whether species outside the
172 tropics occupy lower clade ranks than species within the tropics, due to a tendency of non-
173 tropical species to use harsher habitats. We also tested whether species on former Laurasian
174 land masses occupy lower clade ranks than species on former Gondwanan land masses, due to
175 a tendency to use harsher habitats. In all analyses we accounted for the statistical non-
176 independence of species. We also conducted character mapping to reconstruct ancestral stages
177 and explore whether the environments and regions used by species are indeed ancestral to the
178 respective (sub)lineage and hence might have influenced the clade rank of the respective
179 species in that (sub)lineage.

180 MATERIALS AND METHODS

181 The genus *Willemia* and the reconstruction of its phylogeny

182 Within the Class Collembola, the genus *Willemia* belongs to the Hypogastruridae family. It
183 differs from other hypogastrurid genera by the total lack of pigment or furcula and the small
184 size of the slender body, which never exceeds 1 mm in length (Thibaud, 2004). According to
185 their life form, all *Willemia* species belong to the euedaphobiont sub-category Bc3b (small
186 size, slender body, no furcula) of Rusek (2007). The study addresses 42 of the 43 species
187 currently known worldwide in this genus (list in Appendix S1b). The absent species was only
188 described in 2011 by D'Haese & Thibaud, so its environmental or geographic distribution is
189 still very far from being sufficiently documented. The genus is distributed worldwide, with 15
190 species recorded only in the tropics, 25 species outside the tropics and only 2 species present
191 both in the tropics and elsewhere (details about the biogeographic distribution of species in
192 Appendix S2e). A total of 13 species were recorded from continents and islands of
193 Gondwanan origin vs. 20 of Laurasian origin and 9 of uncertain origin (Appendix S2e). As for
194 most Collembola, dispersal modes are still unknown, although sea currents have been
195 suspected to favour long-distance transport (Thibaud, 2007). *Willemia* species live in the soil
196 (from litter to mineral soil, whether acid or alkaline), in psammic environments (beaches,
197 sand dunes, deserts) and in caves, but not all of them are found in harsh environments (Table
198 1). Overall, the great variation in the biogeographic and ecological distributions of species,
199 together with a sufficient but still-manageable number of species, makes this genus a good
200 model for testing hypotheses about relationships between biogeography, ecology and the
201 evolution of extant species.

202 The reconstruction of the phylogeny of the genus *Willemia* is explained in Appendix
203 S1a-d. This reconstruction confirmed the monophyly of the genus already established by

204 D’Haese (2000). We were constrained to use morphological characters, as explained and
205 justified in Appendix S1a. Obviously, speciation may not always leave morphological traces,
206 and such “cryptic” speciation is overlooked if morphological characters alone are considered.
207 This outcome is especially probable in lineages with morphological characters that are few in
208 number or unstable in terms of shape and/or position (among Collembola, e.g., genera
209 *Folsomia* and *Parisotoma*). *Willemia*, however, has numerous characteristics (e.g., hairs,
210 sensilla, vesicles) of stable shape and position. Due to this feature of the genus, speciation is
211 unlikely to be cryptic in *Willemia*. Cryptic speciation may be more frequent at the population
212 level, but such ephemeral population phenomena were not of interest in our study. We also
213 note that a dated phylogeny is not feasible for *Willemia* given the lack of dating points caused
214 by the absence of fossils for this genus.

215 All analyses were run on each of the 6 most parcimonious phylogenetic trees as well
216 as on a strict-consensus of 6 phylogenetic trees (detailed in Appendix S1: Phylogenetic
217 reconstruction). The results from analyses run on the strict consensus tree are given in the
218 Results section, those from the 6 individual trees in the corresponding appendices (detailed in
219 Appendix S3: Reconstruction of ancestral states)

220

221 **Use of harsh environments and the biogeographic distribution of *Willemia* species**

222 The use of harsh environments (as defined in the Introduction) was indicated by the
223 occurrence of *Willemia* species in environments known for at least one factor that is thought
224 to be a major constraint for most soil-dwelling organisms (see Hopkin, 1997 for springtails):
225 i.e., xeric, hydric, arctic, alpine, acidic, metallic or saline soils. See Appendix S2a for detailed
226 definitions of these factors and literature research methods and Appendix S2b for references.

227 A ‘harshness breadth’ index was estimated for every species based on the number of harsh

228 environments in which the species was recorded, scaled from 0 (no harsh environments
229 recorded for the species) to 7 (all harsh environments recorded).

230 Biogeographic distributions were categorised as (i) tropical (between the tropic
231 latitudes, Inter-Tropical Convergence Zone, ITCZ) or non-tropical (north or south of the
232 tropic latitudes) and as (ii) Gondwanan or Laurasian following the maps by Christiansen &
233 Bellinger (1995), as detailed in Appendix S2e. Appendix S2e also outlines the relationships
234 between tropical/non-tropical and Laurasia/Gondwana classifications and between regions
235 and harshness.

236

237 **Statistical Analyses**

238 The correlation among uses of different types of harsh environments across lineages was
239 analysed by a phylogenetic Principal components analysis (pPCA), a multivariate method
240 recently devised by Jombart *et al.* (2010b) by extending a methodology developed in spatial
241 ecology and spatial genetics to the analysis of phylogenetic structures in biological features of
242 taxa.

243 Phylogenetic conservatism is the tendency of closely related species to share similar
244 values for a given trait (typically more similar than distantly related species, Wiens *et al.*,
245 2010). We predicted phylogenetic conservation of the use of harsh environments, i.e., that
246 related species tend to have similar harshness breadth index values. Here, harshness breadth
247 varied from 0 to 7 harsh environments as defined above. Phylogenetic conservatism for
248 harshness breadth was tested with the Pavoine *et al.* (2010) approach. Briefly, the total trait
249 diversity of the lineage was decomposed across the nodes of a phylogenetic tree by attributing
250 to each node a value measuring the differences among lineages descending from that node
251 weighted by the proportion of species descending from it. Permutation tests (999 replicates)

252 allowed the attribution of a probability to the observed value. Our principal test was the root-
253 skewness test, which verifies whether phylogenetic distances between species correspond to
254 distances in a given trait. Supplementary tests in Pavoine *et al.* (2010) explore whether trait
255 variation is concentrated on a single node or on a few nodes, but that work cannot be
256 presented in detail here (usually, the former were not significant, whereas the latter were).
257 Phylogenetic distances were measured as nodal distances, i.e., the number of nodes on the
258 shortest path that connects two species on the phylogenetic tree. For measuring distances
259 between species in terms of habitat harshness (a multi-choice variable), we used the simple
260 matching coefficient (Sokal & Michener, 1958): $(a+b)/(a+b+c+d)$, where 'a' is the number of
261 harshness types in common, 'b' is the number of harshness types with which neither of the
262 species are associated, and 'c' and 'd' are the numbers of harshness types unique to each of
263 the two species.

264 Losos (2008) has suggested that the term 'phylogenetic conservatism' should only be
265 used if trait change along the phylogeny is slower than Brownian motion and that the term
266 'phylogenetic signal' should be used for the wider phenomenon of correlations between trait
267 distance and phylogenetic distance. However, properly identifying the rate of trait change
268 would require a dated phylogeny, which is not feasible for Collembola. Moreover, whereas
269 change in the use of harsh environments may be considered 'random' and not 'conservative'
270 from the point of view of phylogenetic reconstruction, it is still much more 'conservative'
271 than the changes in the harshness of the environment surrounding the animals. For simplicity,
272 we therefore retain the term 'conservatism' and use it in the sense of a pattern, not of a
273 process (see Wiens *et al.*, 2010 for further discussion on phylogenetic conservatism).

274 We then tested the link between harshness breadth as a response variable and (i)
275 phylogenetic clade rank, (ii) tropical/non-tropical classification and (iii) Gondwana/Laurasia
276 classification as explanatory variables. Any test of hypotheses on the environmental and

277 geographic correlates of clade ranks of species is vulnerable to the phylogenetic non-
278 independence of species. A classical approach to the problem of phylogenetic non-
279 independence is the use of sister-clade comparisons (Felsenstein, 1985), but this approach is
280 not applicable in our case because sister clades have the same clade ranks by definition. An
281 alternative and more general approach is to include co-matrices of phylogenetic proximity in a
282 phylogenetic generalised least square fit (PGLS) as described in Martins & Hansen (1997),
283 using the method of Grafen (1989) to estimate branch lengths. To increase the symmetry of
284 the harshness breadth distribution, this variable was square-root transformed.

285 We tested the relationships between the phylogenetic clade ranks of species as the
286 dependent variable and either the species' tropical/non-tropical classification or their
287 Gondwana/Laurasia classification as the independent variable. We conducted alternative
288 analyses, either incorporating the uses of harsh habitats as covariables or not incorporating
289 these uses. As the dependent variable was directly inferred from the species' phylogenetic
290 position and was, thus, a characteristic of the phylogeny, we incorporated phylogenetic non-
291 independence in the explanatory variables as follows. We computed the F-statistic associated
292 with each variable using an ordinary linear model. We then estimated a theoretical
293 distribution of this statistic via the method of phylogenetic permutation described by Lapointe
294 & Garland (2001, see also Harmon & Glor, 2010): closely related species are more likely to
295 exchange values than more distantly related species. The values of the explanatory variables
296 were permuted (999 times) by this approach, keeping the phylogenetic clade rank unchanged.
297 The P-value was then calculated as the proportion of theoretical values of the F-statistic that
298 were higher than or equal to the observed value. We note that species that occurred in both the
299 Laurasia and Gondwana biogeographic domains (6 species) or were on continents or islands
300 of uncertain origin (3 species) and species that were recorded both within and outside the
301 tropics (2 species) were discarded from geographic analyses.

302 All these methods were implemented in R (R Development Core Team, 2010), which
303 was used for all statistical calculations. The packages used were ade4 (Dray & Dufour, 2007),
304 adephylo (Jombart *et al.*, 2010a), ape (Paradis *et al.*, 2004), and nlme (Pinheiro *et al.*, 2010).
305 The R codes are available upon request.

306 For character mapping, we used Mesquite (Maddison & Maddison, 2011);
307 specifically, we used parsimony and stochastic character mapping. As both approaches
308 produced the same results, we only present the parsimony mapping, which suffers less from
309 the absence of biogeographic classifications for individual species.

310

311

312 **RESULTS**

313 The characters and phylogeny of *Willemia* are provided in Appendix S1b and Appendix S1d,
314 respectively. Note that there is no phylogenetic structure in the study intensity of *Willemia*
315 species (i.e., the numbers of references), and hence, the analyses presented below are not
316 biased by study intensity (Appendix S2c). Although branch lengths are not available, as
317 explained in the Introduction, there is a major variation in the clade rank of species, ranging
318 from 2 to 13, reflecting substantial variation in the number of extant close relatives across
319 species.

320

321 **Uses of most types of harsh habitats are positively correlated**

322 The phylogenetic principal components analysis (pPCA) indicated strong positive correlations
323 between all types of harsh habitats with the exception of salinity. The use of all other types of
324 harsh habitats showed clear positive scores on the same principal component axis (Fig. 1). A
325 visual examination of Table 1 (where species are arranged according to their order in the
326 phylogenetic tree) confirms this result: with the exception of salinity, the use of all types of
327 harsh habitats appears to be phylogenetically positively correlated. Given that the use of
328 saline habitats corresponded to the absence of all of the other six types of harsh habitats, we
329 excluded salinity from further analyses to better capture the overall syndrome of harsh habitat
330 use (see also Appendix S2d).

331

332 **Phylogenetic conservatism in the use of harsh habitats**

333 The types of harshness under which species were found exhibited clear phylogenetic
334 conservatism (root-skewness test $P=0.002$). Additionally, the number of types of harsh

335 habitats used by a species (harshness breadth) was phylogenetically conserved (root-skewness
336 test; $P=0.042$). If salinity was excluded from the array of harsh habitats (given that it is not
337 positively related to other harshness factors, see above), a stronger conservatism of harshness
338 breadth was found (root-skewness test $P=0.013$). The presence/absence of *Willemia* species in
339 harsh habitats (rather than the number of harsh habitats used) exhibited an even clearer
340 phylogenetic conservatism if salinity was excluded from the array of harsh habitats (root-
341 skewness test $P=0.001$). This phylogenetic structure was confirmed using parsimony character
342 state reconstruction (Fig. 2 a). These results are based on the consensus tree but are robust to
343 phylogenetic uncertainty and were found in all 6 of the equally parsimonious trees (Appendix
344 S3).

345

346 **Species using harsh habitats have lower clade ranks but are as numerous as species**
347 **using mesic habitats**

348 We found that the clade rank of a species decreased with the species' harshness breadth
349 (PGLS; $P=0.002$). If salinity was excluded, it appeared that the distance to the root of the
350 phylogenetic tree was quite similar for all species using harsh habitats independently of the
351 number of harsh habitat types they were using, with all harshness-tolerant species occupying a
352 basal position (Fig. 3). The ancestral nature of life in harsh habitats was also visually assessed
353 through parsimony character state reconstruction (Fig. 1 a), mapping the use of harsh habitats
354 (salinity excluded) and other habitats on the cladogram. Most of the 22 harshness-tolerant
355 species were located close to the root, i.e., they corresponded to a "basal" pool of species
356 including all species from *W. multilobata* to *W. denisi* in Fig. 1 a. Only three species in this
357 group did not confirm that harshness tolerance was an ancestral character: *W. bellingeri*, *W.*
358 *psammophila* and *W. unispina*. Species belonging to the most advanced group, in contrast,

359 were not found in harsh habitats (except for saline habitats) with the exception of *W.*
360 *nepalensis*. All these results are based on the consensus tree but are robust to phylogenetic
361 uncertainty and were found in all 6 of the equally parsimonious trees (Appendix S3).

362 In total, there were 22 species using harsh habitats and 20 species using only mesic
363 habitats (i.e., species that were never recorded in any of the harsh habitat types considered
364 except salinity). This result is not significantly different from equality ($df=1$; $\text{Chi}^2=0.095$;
365 $P=0.758$).

366

367 **Geographical distribution: species using harsh habitats tend to be Laurasian, and as a**
368 **statistical consequence, Laurasians tend to have low clade ranks**

369 We found that species using harsh and mesic habitats were distributed differently across the
370 globe. Species using harsh habitats tended to occur in non-tropical regions, although the
371 relationship was relatively weak (Fig. 4a; PGLS; $df=30$; $t=2.29$; $P=0.029$). At the same time,
372 species using harsh habitats were strongly restricted to regions of Laurasian origin (Fig. 4b;
373 PGLS; $df=30$; $t=3.19$; $P=0.003$). In fact, only two harshness-tolerant species were recorded
374 outside former Laurasia (*W. trilobata* and *W. namibiae*, Appendix S2e). These results are
375 based on the consensus tree but are robust to phylogenetic uncertainty and were found in all 6
376 of the equally parsimonious trees (Appendix S3).

377 Low-clade-rank species were strongly restricted to present non-tropical regions (Fig.
378 5a; $n=31$ as in all tests of this paragraph, tests based on phylogenetic permutations, $F=26.14$;
379 $P=0.001$, and see character state reconstruction, Fig. 1b). This relationship was maintained if
380 harshness breadth was included as a co-variable: harshness breadth and presence in present-
381 day non-tropical regions were both related to low clade rank ($F=23.90$; $P=0.001$ for harshness
382 breadth, and $F=9.76$; $P=0.007$ for presence in present-day non-tropical regions; conclusions

383 were not impacted by the order in which the two explanatory variables were entered in the
384 model; harshness first: $F=29.17$; $P=0.001$, harshness second: $F=4.48$; $P=0.048$). Therefore, the
385 high harshness tolerance of non-tropical species did not explain their low clade rank. Species
386 of low clade rank also tended to be restricted to former Laurasia regions (Fig. 5b; $F=10.47$;
387 $P=0.006$ and see character state reconstruction, Fig. 1c). If occurrence in former Laurasia was
388 included first in the model and harshness breadth second, both variables were significant
389 ($F=12.68$; $P=0.002$ for occurrence in former Laurasia and $F=7.33$; $P=0.014$ for harshness
390 breadth). However, this relationship disappeared if harshness breadth was added to the model
391 first: in this case, occurrence in former Laurasia was no longer significant ($F=1.31$; $P=0.262$),
392 whereas harshness breadth was still significantly related to low clade rank ($F=18.69$;
393 $P=0.001$). Overall, this result indicates that species using harsh environments are particularly
394 bound to former Laurasia continents (above paragraph) and that — as a statistical
395 consequence — we find many species of low clade rank on former Laurasia continents. All
396 these results are based on the consensus tree but are robust to phylogenetic uncertainty and
397 were found in all 6 of the equally parsimonious trees (Appendix S3).

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399 **DISCUSSION**

400 We found that uses of different types of harsh environments are maintained among close
401 relatives and have similar phylogenetic signals with the exception of use of saline habitats.
402 Use of saline habitats is thus not consistent with our hypotheses (see Introduction) and was
403 excluded from further analyses. There are two opposing lines of explanation for this
404 exception. First, one can argue that tolerance of saline conditions comes with a major cost in
405 terms of tolerance of multiple other harshness factors, and thus, salinity tolerance will not
406 increase the overall capacity to use harsh environments and will be lost rapidly through

407 evolution if no longer needed. Second, there are putative arguments suggesting that salinity is
408 not a form of harshness from the point of view of Collembola (Appendix S2d). Pending more
409 ecophysiological studies on the tolerance of springtails to sea water, it might be suggested that
410 life in contact with dilute saline solutions (seashores but not dry saline environments) requires
411 no special adaptation in basal Hexapoda, in contrast to fully terrestrial insects (higher insects).

412 Using a phylogenetic framework, we showed that among *Willemia* springtail species,
413 the use of harsh habitats (tolerance of harshness) displayed a strong pattern of phylogenetic
414 conservatism and no phylogenetic trade-off in the capacity to use different types of harsh
415 habitat (except for salinity, see Appendix S2d). These results ultimately suggest that the use
416 of harsh habitats can affect the mode of diversification of these lineages and, thereby, the
417 distribution of clade ranks across habitats and eventually regions. In fact, we found that
418 species using harsh habitats have significantly lower clade ranks.

419 Although the occurrence of archaic life forms has already been documented in specific
420 exotic and harsh habitats such as volcanoes, hot springs, deserts and ice caps (Oliver *et al.*,
421 2000; Nriagu, 2003; Labandeira, 2005; Oliver *et al.*, 2005; Ehrhardt *et al.*, 2007), a systematic
422 link between species clade rank and habitat harshness has not, to our knowledge, been
423 demonstrated previously. Lower clade ranks would be consistent with lower speciation rates
424 in harsh habitats. However, we also found that species using harsh habitats are even slightly
425 more numerous than species using mesic habitats. This combination of results is consistent
426 with a scenario of decreased net extinction of species combined with decreased net speciation
427 in harsh habitats. We stress, however, that we can only speculate on speciation and extinction
428 averaged across time; we do not know whether this pattern reflects permanently low
429 speciation rates combined with permanently low extinction rates or, for instance, initially high
430 speciation and very low extinction rates combined with later very low speciation rates
431 combined with high extinction rates. Both scenarios may produce the same low clade ranks of

432 extant species. Independently of the precise mechanisms, harsh habitats function today as
433 museums of low-clade-rank species, i.e., of species that are the last extant representatives of
434 ancient lineages.

435 Such a pattern of conservatism and of the preferential presence of low-clade-rank
436 species in harsh habitats may ultimately result in the global distribution of harsh-habitat
437 species driving the global distribution of low-clade-rank species, as predicted. In fact, we
438 found that species using harsh habitats exhibit distinct geographic distributions — they are
439 more numerous outside the tropics and, in particular, on former Laurasia — and that species
440 of low clade rank match these distributions. In addition, for Laurasia, the occurrence of low-
441 clade-rank species is, in fact, explained by the occurrence of species in harsh habitats. For this
442 reason, the geographically conserved use of harsh habitats decreases the phylogenetic clade
443 rank of species on the continents of former Laurasia.

444 Our results contribute to the debate on the evolutionary fate of ‘generalists’ versus
445 ‘specialists’. Generalists are thought to be better able to overcome ecological crises (Raup,
446 1986; Zhou *et al.*, 2005). More recently, however, Colles *et al.* (2009) showed that different
447 phylogenetic approaches may lead to diverging conclusions. Our present phylogenetic study
448 compares ‘harshness generalists’ to species putatively specialising in habitats lacking any of
449 the harshness factors. The results are consistent with a longer survival of ‘harshness
450 generalists’ and hence rather point towards generalists being, in fact, less susceptible to
451 environmental change than specialists. However, our study also indicates that reduced
452 extinction might possibly be coupled with reduced speciation, as this has been shown with
453 other traits, e.g. geographic range (Parker *et al.*, 1999), leaving practically no net effect on the
454 numbers of species using harsh habitats.

455 Our results point to a common factor of tolerance of environmental harshness, which
456 would be shared by a pool of low-clade-rank species, as uses of different harsh habitats were
457 positively correlated with one another. This result is not surprising in view of the roles of soil
458 acidity, altitude and latitude: the biologically active part of the soil (the topsoil) becomes more
459 acidic as the decomposition rate of organic matter decreases, leaving the organic matter
460 humified rather than mineralised (Ulrich, 1986; Ponge, 2003, 2012). However, it was more
461 surprising to find relationships between these three factors and drought or metallic pollution.
462 The only point in common among these five factors appears to be a decrease in biological
463 activity caused by harsh environmental conditions. To explain these positive relationships
464 among different types of harshness tolerance, we should first examine the cellular level. The
465 integrity of cell membranes, combined with active cellular repair, is known to protect a wide
466 array of organisms from death caused by environmental hazards (Nriagu, 2003; Oliver *et al.*,
467 2005; Shi *et al.*, 2008; Timmermans *et al.*, 2009). This feature could be the most primitive
468 mechanism of harshness tolerance, requiring no specialised adaptation to any particular
469 harshness factor but rather the coordinated expression of genes functioning in common in a
470 ‘general-purpose genotype’ (Weider, 1993; Niehrs & Pollet, 1999; Vohradsky *et al.*, 2000;
471 Van Doninck *et al.*, 2002; Kaplan *et al.*, 2004). For instance, it has been shown that drought
472 acclimation produces cold tolerance in springtails (Holmstrup *et al.*, 2002) and that long-chain
473 fatty acids of phospholipidic membranes are involved in this phenomenon (Bayley *et al.*,
474 2001). These findings are consistent with the evolutionary importance of membrane integrity
475 (Jobson *et al.*, 2010). Adaptation to harsh environments may occur rapidly if a phylogenetic
476 lineage already possesses an efficient array of regulatory genes, known to be as evolutionarily
477 important as changes in enzyme structures (Roelofs *et al.*, 2006, 2010). However, the
478 evolutionary acquisition of this gene array might be difficult and might only occur rarely. This

479 hypothesis is consistent with our observation of only a few cases of independent acquisitions
480 of the capacity to use harsh habitats.

481 We showed that derived species of high clade rank were primarily tropical species
482 (while not all tropical species are derived), an observation also made for marine bivalves by
483 Harnik et al. (2010). This result is in contrast to the tropical conservatism hypothesis of Wiens
484 & Donoghue (2004), which suggests that the tropics, representing supposedly more ancient
485 environments, should harbour more ancient species characterised by low clade ranks (without
486 excluding more recent species). Our results could be explained by a more ancient origin of
487 environments observed today outside of the tropics, compared to today's tropical
488 environments (Smith *et al.*, 2007). However, across the lifetime of the Collembola lineage,
489 the tropical environments are usually considered to be at least as old as the non-tropical ones
490 (e.g., Behrensmeyer *et al.*, 1992). Alternatively, our results can be explained if the low clade
491 rank of species results from a trait such as the capacity to use harsh habitats and if species
492 with this trait tend to occur outside rather than inside the tropics. However, we found that the
493 tropical/clade-rank relationship was independent of the use of harsh habitats. The observed
494 high clade ranks of tropical species therefore remain unexplained. Potentially, traits other than
495 the use of harsh habitats need to be considered, as well as an interplay between environmental
496 filters (mainly operating out of the tropics) and evolutionary potential of lineages (mainly
497 operating in the tropics), as postulated by Harnik et al. (2010). We note, however, that most
498 tropical species are found on territories of Gondwanan origin and that the high clade rank of
499 Gondwanan species, in turn, could be explained by their present-day use of mesic habitats.
500 Our results may thus point to a link between niche conservatism, diversification, and
501 biogeographic distribution leading to patterns that are inconsistent with those predicted by
502 Wiens & Donoghue's (2004) tropical conservatism hypothesis. It remains to be tested whether

503 the patterns we observed are a rare exception for a small group of species or can be found
504 more frequently, e.g., in other groups of invertebrates.

505 By creating harsh environments (acid rain, polluted water, soil and atmosphere,
506 vegetation-less areas) throughout the world and by accelerating species dispersal (alien
507 introductions), humans select for particular major lineages to the detriment of others (Purvis,
508 2008; Ozinga *et al.*, 2009; May, 2010). However, our results show that by rendering global
509 environments increasingly harsh, humans also select for particular evolutionary scenarios to
510 the detriment of others: increasingly abundant harsh environments appear to represent
511 museum scenarios, i.e., environments that accumulate low-clade-rank species. It is possible
512 that this outcome is due to low extinction and speciation rates. In contrast, environments of
513 low harshness become rare and therefore potentially represent a cradle scenario, i.e.,
514 environments that accumulate high clade-rank species, due perhaps to high rates of speciation.
515 Another result is that the use of harsh habitats is apparently a character that, in most cases,
516 does not originate *de novo* when needed but is carried by particular species for very long
517 periods of time. A high priority should thus be given to the conservation of this pool of low-
518 clade-rank species. However, other studies are necessary to ascertain the generality of the
519 patterns we discerned in one ancient animal group, Collembola. These studies should focus on
520 other ancient but highly diversified groups, such as mites and mosses, which are suspected to
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763 **SUPPORTING INFORMATION**

764 **Appendix S1** Phylogenetic reconstruction

765 **Appendix S2** Literature research: definitions, references, exploration of biases

766 **Appendix S3** Robustness of the analysis to variation in underlying phylogenetic trees

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768 **BIOSKETCH**

769 **Andreas Prinzing** studies the interface of habitat environments, past evolutionary
770 diversification of species pools, and how this diversification controls, and is maintained by,
771 present ecological interactions.

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Table 1. Use of harsh environments by *Willemia* species according to literature (references listed in Electronic Appendix S2). See text for more details on stress factors.

	Xeric	Hydric	Arctic	Alpine	Acid	Metallic	Saline	Tolerance breadth (salinity included)	Tolerance breadth (salinity excluded)
<i>W. multilobata</i>	√		√	√	√		√	5	4
<i>W. bellingeri</i>							√	1	0
<i>W. trilobata</i>	√							1	1
<i>W. namibiae</i>	√							1	1
<i>W. similis</i>	√		√	√	√			4	4
<i>W. christianseni</i>				√	√			2	2
<i>W. anophthalma</i>	√	√	√	√	√	√		6	6
<i>W. dubia</i>	√			√	√			3	3
<i>W. scandinavica</i>	√		√	√	√		√	5	4
<i>W. koreana</i>	√							1	1
<i>W. iztaccihuatlensis</i>				√	√			2	2
<i>W. bedosae</i>	√							1	1
<i>W. unispina</i>								0	0
<i>W. psammophila</i>							√	1	0
<i>W. virae</i>	√							1	1
<i>W. tali</i>	√							1	1
<i>W. intermedia</i>	√		√	√	√	√		5	5
<i>W. shanghaiensis</i>					√			1	1
<i>W. granulata</i>	√		√	√	√			4	4
<i>W. fjellbergi</i>			√					1	1
<i>W. arida</i>	√		√	√	√			4	4
<i>W. trisphaerae</i>			√	√	√			3	3
<i>W. elisabethum</i>					√			1	1
<i>W. denisi</i>	√	√	√	√	√			5	5
<i>W. japonica</i>								0	0
<i>W. subbulbosa</i>							√	1	0
<i>W. persimilis</i>								0	0
<i>W. acantha</i>								0	0
<i>W. bulbosa</i>								0	0
<i>W. meybolae</i>							√	1	0
<i>W. arenicola</i>							√	1	0
<i>W. nepalensis</i>					√			1	1
<i>W. neocaledonica</i>							√	1	0
<i>W. nadchatrami</i>								0	0
<i>W. brevispina</i>							√	1	0
<i>W. annapurna</i>								0	0
<i>W. buddenbrocki</i>								0	0
<i>W. wandae</i>								0	0
<i>W. nosyboraha</i>							√	1	0
<i>W. delamarei</i>								0	0
<i>W. setonychia</i>								0	0
<i>W. deharvengi</i>							√	1	0

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781 **FIGURE CAPTIONS**

782 **Figure 1.** Ordination of correlations between uses of different types of harsh habitats,
783 analysed by pPCA (a multivariate analysis based on phylogenetic distances). The
784 coordinates of harsh habitat types are given along the first principal component. Note
785 that except for salinity, the uses of habitats of all types of harshness are positively
786 correlated.

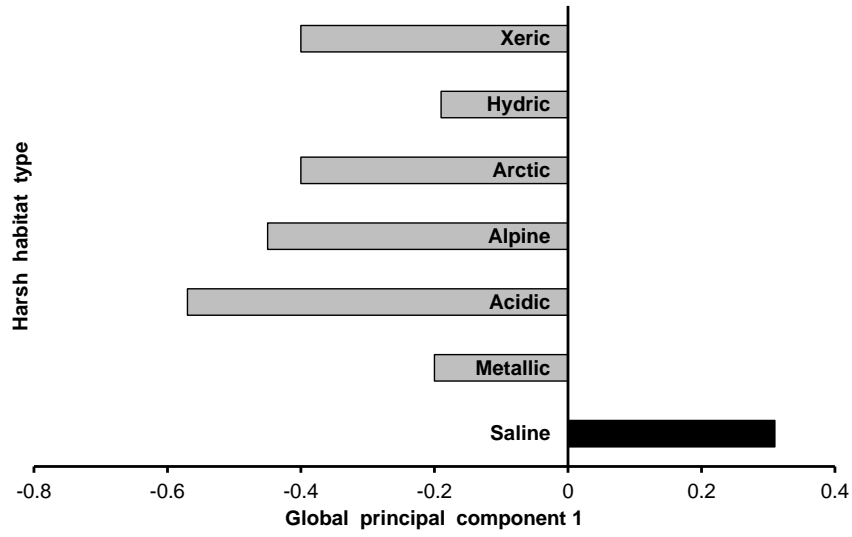
787 **Figure 2.** Parsimony reconstruction of the use of harsh habitats, i.e., any type of harsh habitat
788 used except for salinity (A), tropical distribution (B), and distribution on former
789 Gondwana continents (C). The corresponding character states are shown in black. The
790 tree shapes are not exactly identical because biogeographic distributions could not be
791 assigned to either of the categories for a few species.

792 **Figure 3.** Clade ranks of species, i.e., nodal distances to the root, using different numbers of
793 harsh habitat types. Error bar=S.E. Note that species that do not use any harsh habitats
794 are at a greater distance from the root (see text for analyses).

795 **Figure 4.** Harshness breadth of species from tropical vs. non-tropical regions (a) and of
796 species of Gondwanan vs. Laurasian origin (b). The few species of intermediate
797 localisation were not included. Error bar=S.E.

798 **Figure 5.** Clade ranks, i.e., distances to the root of the phylogenetic tree, in species from
799 tropical vs. non-tropical regions (a) and from areas of Gondwanan vs. Laurasian origin
800 (b). The few species with intermediate localisation were not included. Error bar=S.E.
801 Note that the difference between Gondwanan vs. Laurasian origin disappears after
802 including harshness breadth as a covariable (whereas harshness breadth is significant
803 at $p=0.011$, *see text*).

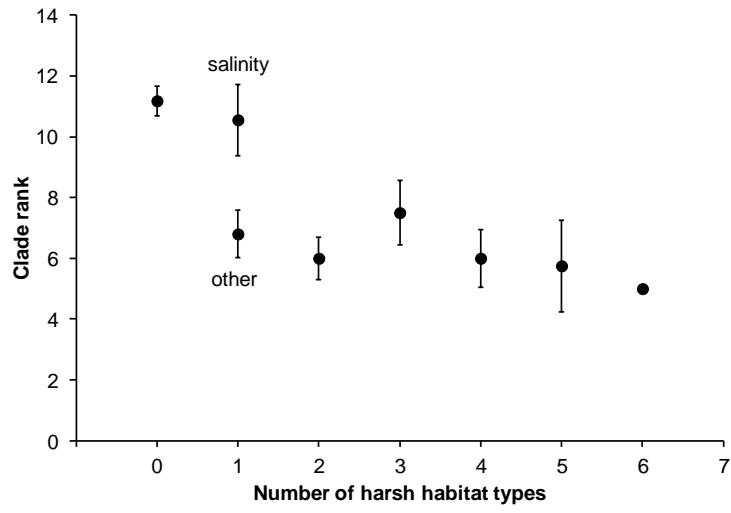
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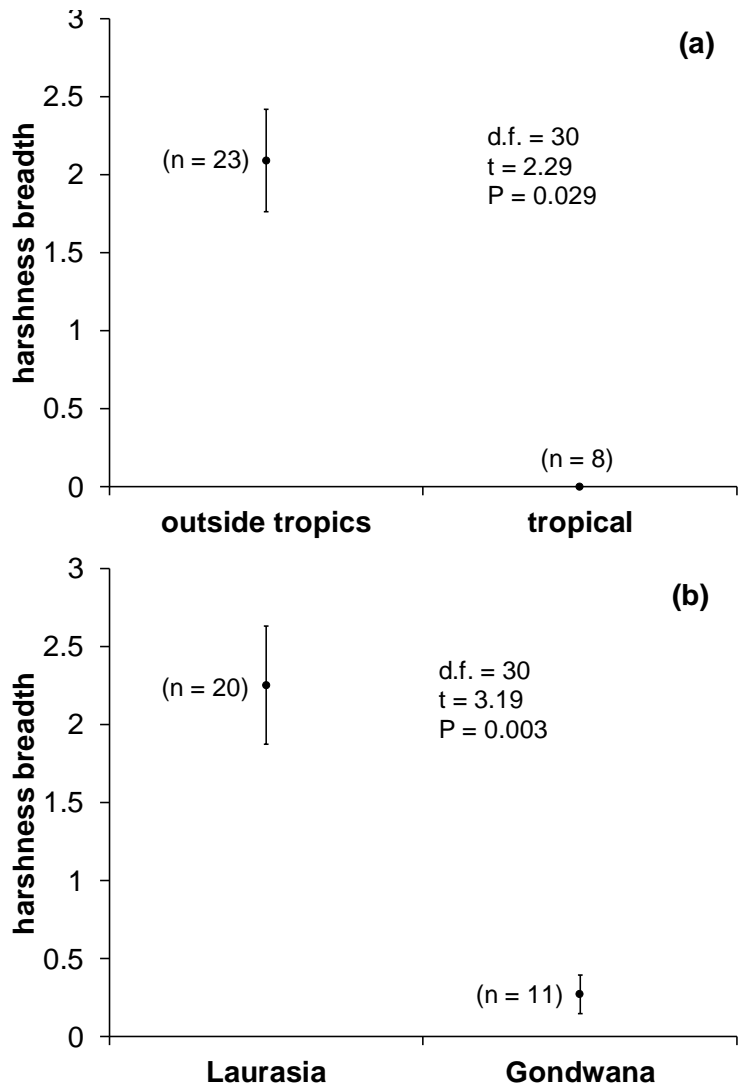


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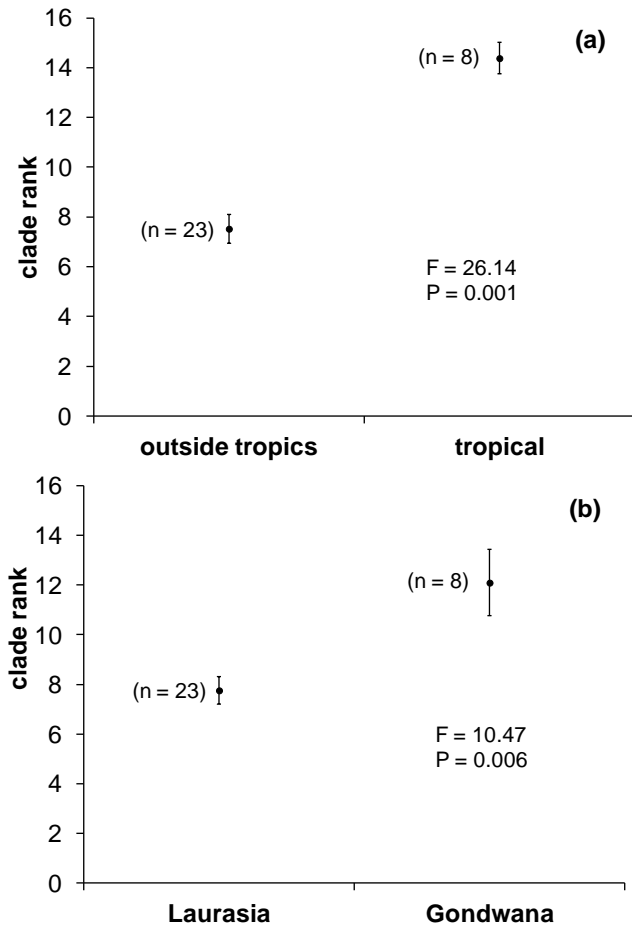
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822 **Appendix S1: Phylogenetic reconstruction**

823 Appendix S1a: General approach

824 Within the Class Collembola the genus *Willemia* belongs to the Hypogastruridae family. It
 825 differs from other hypogastrurid genera by the total lack of pigment and furcula and the small
 826 size of the slender body, which never exceeds 1 mm in length (Thibaud, 2004). According to
 827 their life form all *Willemia* species belong to the euedaphobiont sub-category Bc3b (small
 828 size, slender body, no furcula) of Rusek (2007). The study deals with 42 of the 43 species
 829 worldwide known today in this genus (list below in Appendix S1b). The remaining species *W.*
 830 *biseta* Christiansen & Bellinger 1980 was excluded because it could not be studied in detail
 831 (see D’Haese 2000). Eight species have been added to the phylogenetic tree published by
 832 D’Haese (2000): *W. bulbosa* Bonet 1945, *W. acantha* Bonet 1945, *W. unispina* Fjellberg
 833 2007, *W. iztacihuatlensis* García Gómez & Cutz Pool 2008, *W. tali* Kaprus’ & Nevo 2003,
 834 *W. psammophila* Palacios-Vargas & Thibaud 2001, *W. shanghaiensis* Yue 1999, and *W.*
 835 *nosybohara* Thibaud 2008.

836 Fifty-two morphological characters, which have been detailed in D’Haese (2000),
 837 were used for the phylogenetic analysis. Question marks (Appendix S1 b) represent either
 838 inapplicable or unknown characters. Autapomorphies, i.e. derived traits that are unique to a
 839 given terminal group, were excluded, so that only potentially informative characters were
 840 kept. All character states were polarized through comparison with three species belonging to
 841 the Hypogastruridae as outgroup: *Hypogastrura vernalis* Carl 1901, *Orogastrura dilatata*
 842 Cassagnau 1954, and *Xenylogastrura octocolata* Steiner 1955.

843 We used morphological characters for reconstructing the phylogeny of the genus
 844 *Willemia*, because most species are rare and known only as collection specimens kept in
 845 conditions improper for molecular studies, a situation that often impedes worldwide

846 invertebrate molecular phylogenies if we limit ourselves to molecular characters (Turner et al.
847 2010). Moreover, it has been shown that phylogenies based on molecular and morphological
848 characters of extant species are in general largely congruent (Jablonski & Finarelli, 2009)
849 despite obvious discrepancies in particular cases. Finally, none of the 52 characters which
850 were used for the phylogeny of the genus *Willemia* (D'Haese, 2000) is related to use of harsh
851 environments. These characters concern chaetotactic setup of body and legs, which is of high
852 taxonomic value in most springtail families (including Hypogastruridae) but has little to do
853 with ecological adaptation (Gisin, 1967; Nayrolles, 1998; Rusek, 2002). The only exception is
854 pigmentation, absent from all *Willemia* species but present in the three outgroup species used
855 (*H. vernalis*, *O. dilatata*, *X. octoculata*). Thus there is no reason to believe that the use of
856 harsh environments, or a set characters correlated with it, was included in the reconstruction
857 of the phylogeny.

858 The data matrix (Appendix S1b) was analysed with POY version 4.1.2 (Varón *et al.*,
859 2010) through standard parsimony (static homology) with non-additive character coding
860 (unordered characters). The data matrix was submitted to a thousand replicates, ratchet
861 perturbation i.e. selection of 15% of characters upweighted by a factor of 3 at each iteration
862 (Nixon, 1999), tree fusing (Goloboff, 1999) and to a final branch swapping refinement
863 keeping up to 20% longer trees. Consistency (Kluge & Farris, 1969) and Retention Indices
864 (Farris, 1989) were calculated. Bremer (Bremer, 1988) and jackknife (Farris *et al.*, 1996)
865 branch support indices were computed.

866 For further calculations on phylogenetic relationships among *Willemia* species we
867 used a strict majority consensus tree based on six fully-resolved trees. The distance of each
868 species to the root was calculated by the number of nodes directly descending from the root to
869 it.

870 All data matrices, character list and analysis scripts can be found below in Appendix S1b and
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1010 not_differentiated_from_ordinary_setae;
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1020 candle_flame-shaped_(Fig._2B)
1021 not_differentiated_from_ordinary_setae_(Fig._2C);

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1022 {6 Sensilla_i2_on_antennal_segment_IV subcylindrical_(Fig._2A)
1023 candle_flame-shaped_(Fig._2B) globular_(Fig._2C)
1024 globular_in_cavity_(Fig._2D);
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1026 Small_internal_sensilla_of_sensory_organ_of_antennal_segment_III_(Figs.
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1028 {8 Third_and_fourth_antennal_segments clearly_separated
1029 ventrally_slightly_fused;
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1036 {14 Number_of_setae_d_on_the_head: 5+_5 4+_4 (Figs._1A_and_1B);
1037 {15 Number_of_setae_v_on_the_head: 2+_2 1+_1 (Figs._1A_and_1B);
1038 {16 Setae_c1_on_the_head present absent;
1039 {17 Corneules present absent;
1040 {18 Postantennal_organ_with 4_to_9_vesicles_(Fig._1A) 10_to_15_vesicles
1041 more_than_15_vesicles_(Fig._1B);
1042 {19 Setae_al_of_thoracic_tergum_III_positioned_on_thoracic_tergum_III
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1046 {22 On_thoracic_terga_II_and_III,_setae_m3 present_(Fig._1A)
1047 absent_(Fig._1B);
1048 {23 Tibiotarsi_I_and_II_with 19_setae 17_setae 12_setae 11_setae;
1049 {24 Tibiotarsus_III_with 18_setae 16_setae 12_setae 11_or_10_setae;
1050 {25 Tibiotarsi_with_tenant_hair without_tenant_hair;
1051 {26 On_thoracic_tergum_III,_setae_s(=m7) subcylindrical_and_acuminate
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1053 {27 On_abdominal_terga_II_and_III,_setae_s
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1058 lanceolate;
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1061 absent_(Fig._1B);
1062 {32 On_abdominal_terga_II_and_III,_setae_m3 present absent;
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1090 {51 Pigmentation present absent;
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1094 The following file willemia2011_char.ss is the new matrix with 5 Willemia species added along with
 1095 the character list:

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1098 evolutionary dead end? Cladistics) with new species added '
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1123 1300000110001011010100011101000110010100010000100001
1124 Willemia_deharvengi
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1128 Willemia_denisi 1111111110010011110101011101001110111110110101100011
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1130 Willemia_elisabethum
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1132 Willemia_fjellbergi
1133 133222211001001101010001110100011000011011?1?1100011
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1143 Willemia_meybholae
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1145 Willemia_multilobata
1146 00000201100100??0101000111000000000000000010100100001
1147 Willemia_nadchatrami
1148 100300311111311111010012210000011011111?0111111??101
1149 Willemia_namibiae0000000110011011010?1?02310000010011010000?100100?01

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1150 Willemia_neocaledonica
1151     10030031111131111121001221010001101111111111111111101
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1153     1003003111113111012100122111000110111111110111111101
1154 Willemia_persimilis
1155     0300220111?120110121010??101001110111110110100111001
1156 Willemia_psammophila
1157     00000001110010110111000331111101000101?01100001?0001
1158 Willemia_bulbosa 0322222111?1201101[0-
1159 1]1010??101001110111110110100111001
1160 Willemia_acantha 0300220111?120110121010??101001110111110110100111011
1161 Willemia_scandinavica
1162     100022011000101101010001110?000110110100010000100001
1163 Willemia_setonychia
1164     200300311????11101310????111110110111111111????1???11
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1166     100022011???????101000??100000110000??011????1???001
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1168 Willemia_subbulbosa
1169     1222222111112011010100023101000110010110110100111001
1170 Willemia_tali     1111?01110001011010100011111000110111100110000110001
1171 Willemia_trilobata
1172     0000000110011011010?1002310000010011010000?1001???01
1173 Willemia_trisphaerae
1174     1311221110010011?10100011101000110000110110101100011
1175 Willemia_virae   100000011000101101010001110100011011110011?000100001
1176 Willemia_wandae 10030031111131111121001331110001101111111111111111101
1177 ;
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1179 ccode - 0.51;
1180 proc/;
1181
1182 ;
1183 cn
1184 {0 On_antennal_segment_IV, apical_vesicle large small absent;
1185 {1 Sensilla_e1_on_antennal_segment_IV subcylindrical_(Figs._2A_and_2D)
1186 candle_flame-shaped_(Fig._2B) globular_(Fig._2C)
1187 not_differentiated_from_ordinary_setae;
1188 {2 Sensilla_e2_on_antennal_segment_IV subcylindrical_(Figs._2A_and_2D)
1189 candle_flame-shaped_(Fig._2B) globular_(Fig._2C)
1190 not_differentiated_from_ordinary_setae;
1191 {3 Sensilla_e3_on_antennal_segment_IV subcylindrical_(Fig._2A)
1192 candle_flame-shaped_(Fig._2B) globular_(Fig._2C)
1193 globular_in_cavity_(Fig._2D);
1194 {4 Sensilla_d_on_antennal_segment_IV subcylindrical_(Figs._2A_and_2D)
1195 candle_flame-shaped not_differentiated_from_ordinary_setae_(Fig._2C);
1196 {5 Sensilla_i1_on_antennal_segment_IV subcylindrical_(Figs._2A_and_2D)
1197 candle_flame-shaped_(Fig._2B)
1198 not_differentiated_from_ordinary_setae_(Fig._2C);
1199 {6 Sensilla_i2_on_antennal_segment_IV subcylindrical_(Fig._2A)
1200 candle_flame-shaped_(Fig._2B) globular_(Fig._2C)
1201 globular_in_cavity_(Fig._2D);
1202 {7
1203 Small_internal_sensilla_of_sensory_organ_of_antennal_segment_III_(Figs.
1204 _2A_to_2D) free covered_in_part_by_a_tegumental_fold;
1205 {8 Third_and_fourth_antennal_segments clearly_separated
1206 ventrally_slightly_fused;
1207 {9 Antennal_segment_II_with 12_setae 11_setae;

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1208 {10 Antennal_segment_I_with 7_setae 6_setae;
1209 {11 Prelabral_chaetotaxy_with 4_setae 2_setae;
1210 {12 Labral_chaetotaxy_with 5.5.4_setae 4.5.4_setae 2.5.4_setae
1211 5.3.4_setae;
1212 {13 Seta_a0_on_the_head present_(Fig._1A) absent_(Fig._1B);
1213 {14 Number_of_setae_d_on_the_head: 5+_5 4+_4_(Figs._1A_and_1B);
1214 {15 Number_of_setae_v_on_the_head: 2+_2 1+_1_(Figs._1A_and_1B);
1215 {16 Setae_cl_on_the_head present absent;
1216 {17 Corneules present absent;
1217 {18 Postantennal_organ_with 4_to_9_vesicles_(Fig._1A) 10_to_15_vesicles
1218 more_than_15_vesicles_(Fig._1B);
1219 {19 Setae_a1_of_thoracic_tergum_III_positioned_on_thoracic_tergum_III
1220 between_thoracic_terga_II_and_III_(Figs._1A_and_1B);
1221 {20 On_second_and_third_thoracic_terga,_setae_a1 present absent;
1222 {21 On_thoracic_terga_II_and_III,_setae_a2 present absent;
1223 {22 On_thoracic_terga_II_and_III,_setae_m3 present_(Fig._1A)
1224 absent_(Fig._1B);
1225 {23 Tibiotarsi_I_and_II_with 19_setae 17_setae 12_setae 11_setae;
1226 {24 Tibiotarsus_III_with 18_setae 16_setae 12_setae 11_or_10_setae;
1227 {25 Tibiotarsi_with_tenant_hair without_tenant_hair;
1228 {26 On_thoracic_tergum_III,_setae_s(=m7) subcylindrical_and_acuminate
1229 lanceolate;
1230 {27 On_abdominal_terga_II_and_III,_setae_s
1231 subcylindrical_and_acuminate_(Fig._1A) lanceolate_(Fig._1B);
1232 {28 On_abdominal_tergum_IV,_setae_s subcylindrical_and_acuminate
1233 lanceolate;
1234 {29 On_abdominal_tergum_V,_setae_s subcylindrical_and_acuminate
1235 lanceolate;
1236 {30 On_abdominal_terga_II_and_III,_setae_a2 present absent;
1237 {31 On_abdominal_terga_II_and_III,_setae_m2 present_(Fig._1A)
1238 absent_(Fig._1B);
1239 {32 On_abdominal_terga_II_and_III,_setae_m3 present absent;
1240 {33 On_abdominal_terga_I_II_and_III,_tegumentary_granulation normal
1241 coarse_secondary_granulation_near_setae_s;
1242 {34 On_abdominal_tergum_IV,_setae_m1 present_(Fig._1A)
1243 absent_(Fig._1B);
1244 {35 On_abdominal_tergum_IV,_setae_m2 present absent;
1245 {36 On_abdominal_tergum_IV,_setae_m3 present_(Fig._1A)
1246 absent_(Fig._1B);
1247 {37 On_abdominal_tergum_IV,_setae_m3' present absent;
1248 {38 On_abdominal_tergum_IV,_setae_p5 present_(Fig._1A)
1249 absent_(Fig._1B);
1250 {39 On_abdominal_tergum_V,_setae_a3 present_(Fig._1A) absent_(Fig._1B);
1251 {40 On_abdominal_tergum_V,_setae_s
1252 in_p3_position_i.e._p2_present_(Fig._1A)
1253 in_p2_position_i.e._p2_absent_(Fig._1B);
1254 {41 Ventral_tube_with_more_than_4+_4_setae with_4_1_4_setae;
1255 {42 On_abdominal_sternum_II,_setae_a3 present absent;
1256 {43 On_abdominal_sternum_IV,_setae_a1 present_(Fig._3A)
1257 absent_(Fig._3B);
1258 {44 On_abdominal_sternum_IV, 4_rows_of_setae_(Fig._3A)
1259 3_rows_of_setae_(Fig._3B);
1260 {45 On_abdominal_sternum_IV,_setae_m1 present absent;
1261 {46 Furca present absent;
1262 {47 On_anal_lobes,_setae_e present_(Fig._4A) absent_(Fig._4B);
1263 {48 On_anal_lobes,_setae_z present_(Fig._4A) absent_(Fig._4B);
1264 {49 On_anal_lobes,_distal_setae_of_hr_group present_(Fig._4A)
1265 absent_(Fig._4B);

1266 {50 Anal_spines present absent;
1267 {51 Pigmentation present absent;
1268 ;
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1270

1271 The following file willemia2011.ss is the same data matrix but without the character list to be directly
 1272 readable by POY:

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1273 xread
1274 ' Matrix of Ponge et al based on DHaese 2000 (Is psammophily an
1275 evolutionary dead end? Cladistics) with new species added '
1276 52 45
1277 Hypogastrura_venalis
1278 000000000?00000000000000000000000000000000010??000000
1279 Orogastrura_dilatata
1280 0000000000000000000000000000000000000101000101000??000
1281 Xenyllogastrura_octoculata
1282 00000001000?0100000001011000000000000010010?1000?0000
1283 Willemia_annapurna
1284 1003003111113111013100133101000110111111110111111101
1285 Willemia_anophthalma
1286 1000000110001011010100011101000100010100010000100001
1287 Willemia_arenicola
1288 0222222111102111012101023100001111111110110100111001
1289 Willemia_nosyboraha
1290 10030031111??11111110013311110110111111110010??01
1291 Willemia_arida 1332222110?100110101000??101000110000110110101100011
1292 Willemia_bedosae 1000000110001011010100011101000110110100110000100001
1293 Willemia_bellingeri
1294 00000201100100110101000111000000000000000010100100001
1295 Willemia_brevispina
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1297 Willemia_buddenbrocki
1298 1003003111113111112100133101000110111111110111111101
1299 Willemia_christianseni
1300 1300000110001011010100011101000110010100010000100001
1301 Willemia_deharvengi
1302 2003003111113111013100123111110110111111110111111111
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1307 Willemia_elisabethum
1308 1111211110010011110101011101001110111110110101100011
1309 Willemia_fjellbergi
1310 133222211001001101010001110100011000011011?1?1100011
1311 Willemia_unispina100000001??10011?10100011111101101101001100001??011
1312 Willemia_granulata
1313 1000220110010011010100011101000110000110110100100011
1314 Willemia_intermedia
1315 1300000110010011010100011101000110000110110100100001
1316 Willemia_iztacihuatlensis 11000001100010110101000[1-2][1-
1317 2]1010011101101?01100?0100001
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1319 Willemia_koreana 1000220110001011010100011101000110110100010000100001
1320 Willemia_meybholae
1321 0222222111112111013101023100001111111110110100111011
1322 Willemia_multilobata
1323 00000201100100??0101000111000000000000000010100100001
1324 Willemia_nadchatrami
1325 100300311111311111010012210000011011111?0111111??101
1326 Willemia_namibiae0000000110011011010?1?02310000010011010000?100100?01

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1327 Willemia_neocaledonica
1328     1003003111113111112100122101000110111111111111111101
1329 Willemia_nepalensis
1330     1003003111113111012100122111000110111111110111111101
1331 Willemia_persimilis
1332     0300220111?120110121010??101001110111110110100111001
1333 Willemia_psammophila
1334     00000001110010110111000331111101000101?01100001?0001
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1337 Willemia_acantha 0300220111?120110121010??101001110111110110100111011
1338 Willemia_scandinavica
1339     100022011000101101010001110?000110110100010000100001
1340 Willemia_setonychia
1341     200300311????11101310????111110110111111111????1???11
1342 Willemia_shanghaiensis
1343     100022011???????101000??100000110000??011????1???001
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1345 Willemia_subbulbosa
1346     1222222111112011010100023101000110010110110100111001
1347 Willemia_tali     1111?01110001011010100011111000110111100110000110001
1348 Willemia_trilobata
1349     0000000110011011010?1002310000010011010000?1001???01
1350 Willemia_trisphaerae
1351     1311221110010011?10100011101000110000110110101100011
1352 Willemia_virae   100000011000101101010001110100011011110011?000100001
1353 Willemia_wandae 10030031111131111121001331110001101111111111111111101
1354 ;
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1356 ccode - 0.51;
1357 proc/;
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1362 The following file will.sh is the main analysis script for POY:

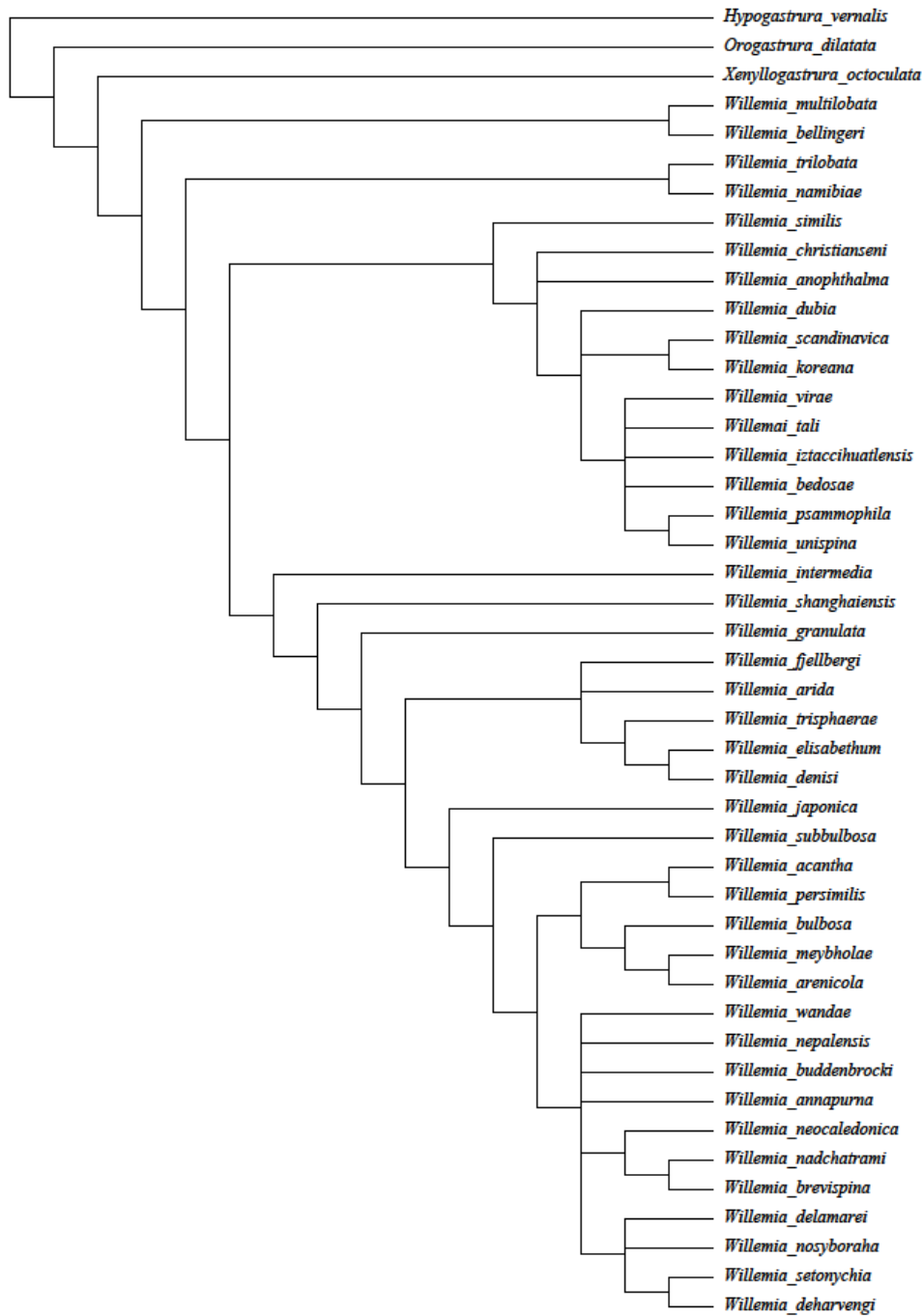
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1363 wipe ()
1364 read ("willemia2011.ss")
1365 set (root: "Hypogastrura_venalis")
1366 build (1000)
1367 select (unique)
1368 perturb (iterations:2, ratchet:(0.15,3), swap(tbr, trees:2))
1369 select (unique)
1370 fuse ()
1371 select (unique)
1372 swap (threshold:20)
1373 swap (all, visited:"will-brel.trees", timeout:3600)
1374 select ()
1375 report ("will.tre", trees:(total))
1376 report ("will_results.ss", phastwinclad, trees:(hennig, total))
1377 report ("will-cons.tre", consensus, "will-cons", graphconsensus)
1378 report ("will-stats.txt", treestats, ci, ri)
1379 report ("will-diag.txt", diagnosis)
1380 exit ()
1381
1382
1383
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1384 will-cons.pdf (consensus in pdf format), will-cons.tre (consensus in text format), will-stats (tree length
 1385 ci and ri), and will.tre (the six equally parsimonious trees) are the results of the analysis.

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1387 will-cons.pdf:

Strict Majority Consensus Tree



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1389

1390 will-cons.tre:

1391 Strict Majority Consensus Tree

1392 (Hypogastrura_venalis,(Orogastrura_dilatata,(Xenyllogastrura_octoculata,
 1393 ((Willemia_multilobata,Willemia_bellingeri),((Willemia_trilobata,Willemia_namibiae),
 1394 ((Willemia_similis,(Willemia_christianseni,Willemia_anophthalma,(Willemia_dubia,
 1395 (Willemia_scandinavica,Willemia_koreana),Willemia_virae,Willemai_tali,Willemia_iztaccihuatlensis,
 1396 Willemia_bedosae,(Willemia_psammophila,Willemia_unispina))))),Willemia_intermedia,
 1397 (Willemia_shanghaiensis,(Willemia_granulata,((Willemia_fjellbergi,Willemia_arida,
 1398 (Willemia_trisphaerae,(Willemia_elisabethum,Willemia_denisi))),Willemia_japonica,
 1400 (Willemia_subbulbosa,(((Willemia_acantha,Willemia_persimilis),Willemia_bulbosa,
 1401 (Willemia_meybholae,Willemia_arenicola))),Willemia_wandae,Willemia_nepalensis,
 1402 Willemia_buddenbrocki,Willemia_annapurna,(Willemia_neocaledonica,(Willemia_nadchatrami,
 1403 Willemia_brevispina)),Willemia_delamarei,Willemia_nosyboraha,(Willemia_setonychia,
 1404 Willemia_deharvengi))))))))))))))

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1408 will-stats:

1409 Trees Found:

1410

1411	Tree length	Number of hits
1412	154.	6

1413 CI Statistics:

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1415	Tree Cost	CI
1416	154.	46.1038961039
1417	154.	46.1038961039
1418	154.	46.1038961039
1419	154.	46.1038961039
1420	154.	46.1038961039
1421	154.	46.1038961039

1422 RI Statistics:

1423

1424	Tree Cost	RI
1425	154.	82.3404255319
1426	154.	82.3404255319
1427	154.	82.3404255319
1428	154.	82.3404255319
1429	154.	82.3404255319
1430	154.	82.3404255319

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1432

1433 will.tre:

1434 (Hypogastrura_venalis, (Orogastrura_dilatata, (Xenyllogastrura_octoculat
1435 a
1436 , ((Willemia_multilobata, Willemia_bellingeri), ((Willemia_trilobata
1437 , Willemia_namibiae), ((Willemia_similis, ((Willemia_christianseni
1438 , Willemia_anophthalma), ((Willemia_dubia, (Willemia_scandinavica
1439 , Willemia_koreana)), (Willemia_iztaccihuatlensis, (Willemia_bedosae
1440 , ((Willemia_unispina, Willemia_psammophila), (Willemia_virae, Willemai_tal
1441 i))))))
1442), (Willemia_intermedia, (Willemia_shanghaiensis, (Willemia_granulata
1443 , ((Willemia_fjellbergi, Willemia_arida), (Willemia_trisphaerae
1444 , (Willemia_elisabethum, Willemia_denisi))), (Willemia_japonica
1445 , (Willemia_subbulbosa, ((Willemia_persimilis, Willemia_acantha)
1446 , (Willemia_bulbosa, (Willemia_meybholae, Willemia_arenicola)))
1447 , ((Willemia_nepalensis, (Willemia_neocaledonica, (Willemia_nadchatrami
1448 , Willemia_brevispina))), (Willemia_annapurna, (Willemia_buddenbrocki
1449 , (Willemia_wandae, (Willemia_nosyboraha, (Willemia_delamarei
1450 , (Willemia_setonychia, Willemia_deharvengi))))))))) [154.];
1451 (Hypogastrura_venalis, (Orogastrura_dilatata, (Xenyllogastrura_octoculat
1452 a
1453 , ((Willemia_multilobata, Willemia_bellingeri), ((Willemia_trilobata
1454 , Willemia_namibiae), ((Willemia_similis, ((Willemia_christianseni
1455 , Willemia_anophthalma), ((Willemia_dubia, (Willemia_scandinavica
1456 , Willemia_koreana)), (Willemia_virae, (Willemia_unispina, Willemia_psammo
1457 phila)
1458), (Willemia_bedosae, (Willemia_iztaccihuatlensis, Willemai_tali))))))
1459 , (Willemia_intermedia, (Willemia_shanghaiensis, (Willemia_granulata
1460 , ((Willemia_fjellbergi, Willemia_arida), (Willemia_trisphaerae
1461 , (Willemia_elisabethum, Willemia_denisi))), (Willemia_japonica
1462 , (Willemia_subbulbosa, ((Willemia_persimilis, Willemia_acantha)
1463 , (Willemia_bulbosa, (Willemia_meybholae, Willemia_arenicola)))
1464 , ((Willemia_nepalensis, (Willemia_neocaledonica, (Willemia_nadchatrami
1465 , Willemia_brevispina))), (Willemia_annapurna, (Willemia_buddenbrocki
1466 , (Willemia_wandae, (Willemia_nosyboraha, (Willemia_delamarei
1467 , (Willemia_setonychia, Willemia_deharvengi))))))))) [154.];
1468 (Hypogastrura_venalis, (Orogastrura_dilatata, (Xenyllogastrura_octoculat
1469 a
1470 , ((Willemia_multilobata, Willemia_bellingeri), ((Willemia_trilobata
1471 , Willemia_namibiae), ((Willemia_similis, (Willemia_christianseni
1472 , (Willemia_anophthalma, (Willemia_dubia, ((Willemia_scandinavica
1473 , Willemia_koreana), (Willemia_unispina, Willemia_psammophila)
1474 , (Willemia_bedosae, (Willemia_iztaccihuatlensis, (Willemia_virae, Willemai
1475 _tali)
1476))))))), (Willemia_intermedia, (Willemia_shanghaiensis, (Willemia_granula
1477 ta
1478 , ((Willemia_fjellbergi, (Willemia_arida, (Willemia_trisphaerae
1479 , (Willemia_elisabethum, Willemia_denisi))), (Willemia_japonica
1480 , (Willemia_subbulbosa, ((Willemia_persimilis, Willemia_acantha)
1481 , (Willemia_bulbosa, (Willemia_meybholae, Willemia_arenicola)))
1482 , ((Willemia_nepalensis, ((Willemia_nosyboraha, Willemia_delamarei)
1483 , (Willemia_setonychia, Willemia_deharvengi))), (Willemia_annapurna
1484 , (Willemia_buddenbrocki, (Willemia_wandae, (Willemia_neocaledonica
1485 , (Willemia_nadchatrami, Willemia_brevispina))))))))) [154.];
1486 (Hypogastrura_venalis, (Orogastrura_dilatata, (Xenyllogastrura_octoculat
1487 a
1488 , ((Willemia_multilobata, Willemia_bellingeri), ((Willemia_trilobata
1489 , Willemia_namibiae), ((Willemia_similis, (Willemia_christianseni

1490 , (Willemia_anophthalma, ((Willemia_scandinavica, Willemia_koreana)
1491 , (Willemia_dubia, ((Willemia_unispina, Willemia_psammophila), (Willemia_vi
1492 rae
1493 , (Willemia_bedosae, (Willemia_iztaccihuatlensis, Willemai_tali)))))))))
1494 , (Willemia_intermedia, (Willemia_shanghaiensis, (Willemia_granulata
1495 , ((Willemia_fjellbergi, Willemia_arida), (Willemia_trisphaerae
1496 , (Willemia_elisabethum, Willemia_denisi))), (Willemia_japonica
1497 , (Willemia_subbulbosa, ((Willemia_persimilis, Willemia_acantha)
1498 , (Willemia_bulbosa, (Willemia_meybholae, Willemia_arenicola)))
1499 , ((Willemia_nepalensis, ((Willemia_nosyboraha, Willemia_delamarei)
1500 , (Willemia_setonychia, Willemia_deharvengi))), (Willemia_annapurna
1501 , (Willemia_buddenbrocki, (Willemia_wandae, (Willemia_neocaledonica
1502 , (Willemia_nadchatrami, Willemia_brevispina))))))))) [154.];
1503 (Hypogastrura_vernalis, (Orogastrura_dilatata, (Xenyllogastrura_octoculat
1504 a
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1506 , Willemia_namibiae), ((Willemia_similis, (Willemia_christianseni
1507 , (Willemia_anophthalma, ((Willemia_scandinavica, Willemia_koreana)
1508 , (Willemia_dubia, (Willemia_virae, ((Willemia_iztaccihuatlensis
1509 , Willemia_bedosae), (Willemai_tali, (Willemia_unispina, Willemia_psammophi
1510 la))))))
1511)))), (Willemia_intermedia, (Willemia_shanghaiensis, (Willemia_granulata
1512 , ((Willemia_fjellbergi, (Willemia_arida, (Willemia_trisphaerae
1513 , (Willemia_elisabethum, Willemia_denisi))), (Willemia_japonica
1514 , (Willemia_subbulbosa, ((Willemia_persimilis, Willemia_acantha)
1515 , (Willemia_bulbosa, (Willemia_meybholae, Willemia_arenicola)))
1516 , ((Willemia_nepalensis, (Willemia_neocaledonica, (Willemia_nadchatrami
1517 , Willemia_brevispina))), (Willemia_annapurna, (Willemia_buddenbrocki
1518 , (Willemia_wandae, (Willemia_nosyboraha, (Willemia_delamarei
1519 , (Willemia_setonychia, Willemia_deharvengi))))))))) [154.];
1520 (Hypogastrura_vernalis, (Orogastrura_dilatata, (Xenyllogastrura_octoculat
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1522 , ((Willemia_multilobata, Willemia_bellingeri), (Willemia_trilobata
1523 , Willemia_namibiae), ((Willemia_similis, (Willemia_christianseni
1524 , (Willemia_anophthalma, (Willemia_dubia, ((Willemia_scandinavica
1525 , Willemia_koreana), (Willemia_iztaccihuatlensis, Willemia_bedosae)
1526 , (Willemia_virae, (Willemai_tali, (Willemia_unispina, Willemia_psammophila
1527))))))))
1528))), (Willemia_intermedia, (Willemia_shanghaiensis, (Willemia_granulata
1529 , ((Willemia_fjellbergi, (Willemia_arida, (Willemia_trisphaerae
1530 , (Willemia_elisabethum, Willemia_denisi))), (Willemia_japonica
1531 , (Willemia_subbulbosa, ((Willemia_persimilis, Willemia_acantha)
1532 , (Willemia_bulbosa, (Willemia_meybholae, Willemia_arenicola)))
1533 , ((Willemia_nepalensis, ((Willemia_nosyboraha, Willemia_delamarei)
1534 , (Willemia_setonychia, Willemia_deharvengi))), (Willemia_annapurna
1535 , (Willemia_buddenbrocki, (Willemia_wandae, (Willemia_neocaledonica
1536 , (Willemia_nadchatrami, Willemia_brevispina))))))))) [154.];
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1541 will_results.ss is the data matrix with the resulting optimal trees readable by Winclada (obtained by
 1542 the will_results.sh script run in POY):

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1543 xread 'Generated by POY 4.0' 52 45
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1734 (Willemia_virae Willemmai_tali)))))) (Willemia_intermedia
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1737 Willemia_denisi))) (Willemia_japonica (Willemia_subbulbosa
1738 ((Willemia_persimilis Willemia_acantha) (Willemia_bulbosa
1739 (Willemia_meybholae Willemia_arenicola))) ((Willemia_nepalensis
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1741 (Willemia_annapurna (Willemia_buddenbrocki (Willemia_wandae
1742 (Willemia_nosyboraha (Willemia_delamarei (Willemia_setonychia
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1822 (Willemia_wandae (Willemia_neocaledonica (Willemia_nadchatrami
1823 Willemia_brevispina))))))))) ;
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1826 bremer_w.sh and jackknife_w.sh are the scripts for bremer and jackknife calculation respectively; will-
 1827 one.tre file contains one of the six optimal tree for the purpose of these calculations;

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1829 bremer_w.sh:

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1830 wipe ()
1831 read ("willemia2011.ss")
1832 set (root: "Hypogastrura_venalis")
1833 read ("willone.tre")
1834 report ("bremerw.txt", supports:bremer:"will-brel.trees")
1835 report ("bremerw", graphsupports:bremer:"will-brel.trees")
1836 exit ()
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1838

1839 jackknife_w.sh:

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1840 wipe ()
1841 read ("willemia2011.ss")
1842 set (root: "Hypogastrura_venalis")
1843 read ("will-one.tre")
1844 calculate_support(jackknife:(remove:0.50, resample:1000), build(),
1845 swap(tbr, trees:5))
1846 report ("jackknife_w", graphsupports:jackknife)
1847 exit ()
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1850 will-one.tre:

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1851 (Hypogastrura_venalis, (Orogastrura_dilatata, (Xenyllogastrura_octoculat
1852 a
1853 , ((Willemia_multilobata, Willemia_bellingeri), (Willemia_trilobata
1854 , Willemia_namibiae), ((Willemia_similis, (Willemia_christianseni
1855 , Willemia_anophthalma), (Willemia_dubia, (Willemia_scandinavica
1856 , Willemia_koreana)), (Willemia_iztaccihuatlensis, (Willemia_bedosae
1857 , ((Willemia_unispina, Willemia_psammophila), (Willemia_virae, Willemia_tal
1858 i))))))
1859 ), (Willemia_intermedia, (Willemia_shanghaiensis, (Willemia_granulata
1860 , ((Willemia_fjellbergi, Willemia_arida), (Willemia_trisphaerae
1861 , (Willemia_elisabethum, Willemia_denisi))), (Willemia_japonica
1862 , (Willemia_subbulbosa, ((Willemia_persimilis, Willemia_acantha)
1863 , (Willemia_bulbosa, (Willemia_meybholae, Willemia_arenicola)))
1864 , ((Willemia_nepalensis, (Willemia_neocaledonica, (Willemia_nadchatrami
1865 , Willemia_brevispina))), (Willemia_annapurna, (Willemia_buddenbrocki
1866 , (Willemia_wandae, (Willemia_nosyboraha, (Willemia_delamarei
1867 , (Willemia_setonychia, Willemia_deharvengi))))))))))))) [154.];
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1871 Appendix S1d: Willemia phylogeny and characters: results

1872 Figure Appendix S1 shows the strict consensus of 6 most parsimonious trees with a
1873 tree length of 154 steps, with jackknife and Bremer indices indicated at each node. Consistency
1874 Index is 46 and Retention Index is 82. All trees, jackknife, statistics and Bremer supports can
1875 be found in Electronic Appendix S1c. The addition of the 5 new *Willemia* species did not
1876 change the general topology found in D'Haese (2000). The monophyly of the genus *Willemia*
1877 was confirmed and strongly supported (jackknife resampling percentage of 100% and Bremer
1878 support value 3). The *anophthalma*, *denisi* s.str. and *buddenbrocki* groups were retrieved
1879 monophyletic again and the *denisi* group *sensu* Potapov is still paraphyletic (with the addition
1880 of *W. shanghaiensis* between *W. intermedia* and *W. granulata* in a paraphyletic assemblage).
1881 The new species (for the analysis) *W. tali*, *W. iztacihuatlensis*, *W. psammophila* and *W.*
1882 *unispina* belong to the *anophthalma* group. *W. acantha* is sister group to *W. persimilis*, in the
1883 same group, *W. bulbosa* is sister group to *W. arenicola* + *W. meybholae*. Lastly, *W.*
1884 *nosyboraha* is included in the *buddenbrocki* group. Table 1 and Table in Appendix S2e show
1885 biogeographic and ecological attributes of species, respectively. In these tables species were
1886 arranged in the order given by the phylogeny.

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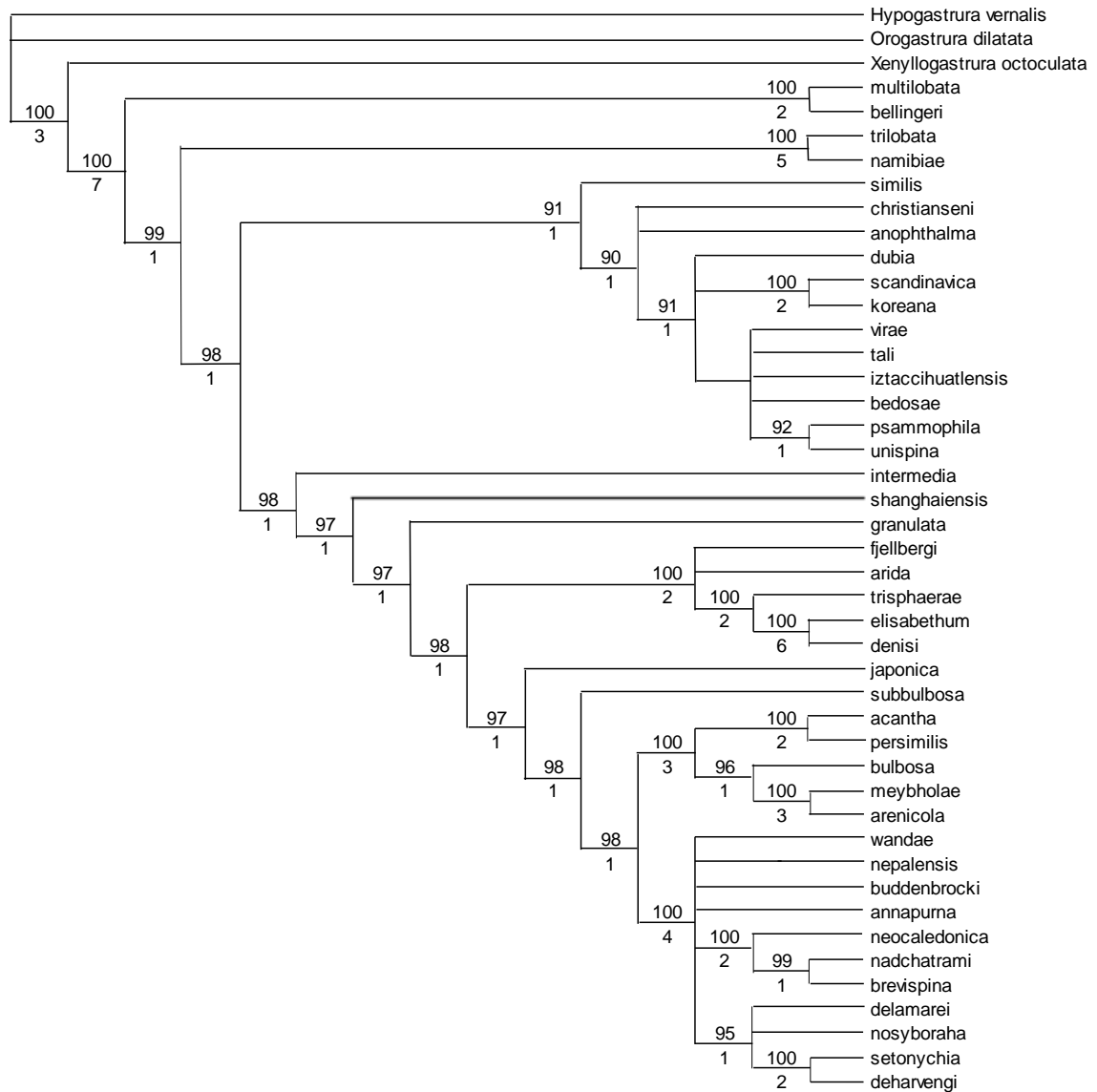
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1893 **Figure Appendix S1.** Strict majority consensus of six phylogenetic trees of the genus
 1894 *Willemia*, with three outgroup species (see text for more details). Jackknife resampling
 1895 percentages and Bremer support values are indicated above and below each node,
 1896 respectively.



1899 **Appendix S2: Literature research: definitions, references, exploration of biases**

1900 Appendix S2a – Definitions of factors of harshness

1901 - ‘xeric’ was defined as an environment displaying permanent or seasonal aridity: deserts

1902 (whether warm or cold), matorrals, sand dunes with poor vegetation cover, karst landscapes

1903 and dry Mediterranean areas

1904 - ‘hydric’ was defined as an environment displaying excess of water and associated lack of

1905 soil atmosphere: waterlogged soils, flooded areas

1906 - ‘arctic’ was defined as an environment displaying a long period of frost, generally more than

1907 six months, reflecting a latitudinal temperature gradient: polar, arctic and subarctic

1908 environments

1909 - ‘alpine’ was defined as an environment displaying a long period of frost, generally more

1910 than six months, reflecting an altitudinal temperature gradients: high mountains, including

1911 alpine and subalpine climates, above 1,000 m in nordic countries, above 2,000 m in temperate

1912 areas, above 3,000 or 4,000 m in tropical areas

1913 - ‘acid’ was defined as a soil at pH_{water} less than 5, where free aluminium and high phenolic

1914 concentrations are likely to occur: raw humus, podzols

1915 - ‘metallic’ was defined as a soil polluted with heavy metals: areas in the vicinity of smelter or

1916 mining activities

1917 - ‘saline’ was defined as a soil with a high osmotic pressure due to a high charge in salts

1918 (beaches and salt deserts).

1919 Every species could be assigned to several harsh habitats according to (i) multiple records of

1920 the same species in a variety of habitats, or (ii) habitats belonging to several harshness

1921 categories. For instance, over the whole array of literature consulted, the same species can be
1922 recorded both in waterlogged and arid soils or the same habitat can be ‘arctic’ and ‘acid’, but
1923 only when this was indicated. In our census we did not try to discern whether some factors
1924 were dominant above others in a given record unit. Rather we considered them as independent
1925 causes of harshness, with which species must cope within a given habitat throughout their
1926 evolutionary history (Jablonski, 2008).

1927 Caves were excluded given that (i) they constitute refuges where more sensitive
1928 species can live in a more buffered environment, whatever the nature of the surrounding
1929 environment, (ii) there was no evidence they were detrimental to growth and reproduction of
1930 most soil invertebrate species (Moseley, 2007), and (iii) some *Willemia* species were reported
1931 to occur in caves (some of them were even described for the first time in caves) but they were
1932 also found in other environments, suggesting the absence of specialisation for cave life in this
1933 genus (Christiansen, 1965). Psammophily sensu D’Haese (2000), i.e. life in sand, was
1934 partitioned in ‘saline’ and ‘xeric’ categories according to whether sea water or drought was
1935 the prevailing factor. For instance seashore dunes were considered ‘xeric’ but not ‘saline’
1936 while the intertidal zone was considered ‘saline’ but not ‘xeric’. Experimental studies
1937 focusing on individual *Willemia* species as well as on entire soil communities were also taken
1938 into account. The ‘harshness breadth’ index was estimated for every species by the number of
1939 harsh environments in which the species was recorded, thus scaling from 0 (no harsh
1940 environment recorded for the species) to 7 (all harsh environments recorded).

1941 Obviously, no place on earth will show all types of harshness. This is why we
1942 considered multiple types of harshness, and why we quantified the harshness breadth as the
1943 number of harshness types occupied by a given species. Moreover, we tested whether
1944 occupation of different types of harshness is positively or negatively correlated, i.e. whether
1945 species that can tolerate certain kinds of harsh environments tend to be able to tolerate a broad

1946 range of harsh environments (except those affected by salinity). We found that occupations of
1947 all but one type of harshness are positively correlated (Results). This means that a species that
1948 is found in environments that are harsh in one type tend to be found under different types of
1949 harsh environments, too. Inversely, other species occupy environments lacking any of the
1950 types of harshness. This result justifies talking broadly about “species using harsh
1951 environments” as we repeatedly do it.

1952 The largest possible corpus of literature was examined for the assessment of use of
1953 harsh environments in *Willemia* species. As defined above (Introduction), harsh environments
1954 are those which limit the rate of growth and reproduction of most species, except a few ones
1955 tolerating it. This does not mean that harsh environments are poorer in Collembolan
1956 individuals, since better adapted species may benefit from the alleviation of competition
1957 caused by the resulting decrease in species richness and thereby may locally proliferate
1958 (Usher, 1985). A total of 248 references were used for the census (Appendix S2b). Languages
1959 available to us were English, French, German, Italian, Portuguese and Spanish, embracing most
1960 literature published in books and scientific journals. Other languages (Russian, Japanese,
1961 Hungarian) were cautiously discarded, in order to avoid misinterpretation, but they comprised
1962 less than 1% of published literature. When information about soil or climate was not given for
1963 a record, but the plant community was sufficiently described in the vicinity of the sample,
1964 then vegetation was used as a basis for estimating the harshness of the environment: in several
1965 instances dominant ericaceous or coniferous vegetation was considered as indicative of soil
1966 acidity given the recalcitrance of its litter and its known acidifying influence on the
1967 environment occupied by *Willemia* (Ponge, 2000), while grassland species were indicative of
1968 more fertile and less acid soils (Miles, 1985; Falkengren-Grerup, 1986). In two instances, the
1969 geographic locality was sufficiently precise and was used to derive environmental conditions

1970 prevailing at the sampling site. In the absence of any clue on environmental conditions,
 1971 records were disregarded.

1972 The above classification might miss species that are able to use harsh environments
 1973 but did not happen to encounter any. However, given that we accounted for a large range of
 1974 harsh environments, species in all regions should have encountered at least some of them (and
 1975 use of one kind of harsh environment turn out to be positively correlated to the use of all
 1976 others in most cases, see Results). Not occurring in harsh environments is hence true evidence
 1977 for not being able to use them.

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acantha	1	Bonet (1945)
annapurna	2	d'Haese & Weiner (1998), Thibaud (2004)
anophthalma	156	Handschin (1924), Marlier (1942), Gisin (1943, 1947), Weber (1950), Haybach (1959), Gisin (1961), Cassagnau & Rapoport (1962), Hüther (1962), Agrell (1963), Petersen (1965), Hale (1967), Stebaeva (1967), Nosek (1967), Rusek (1968), Usher (1970), Jahn (1972), Gough (1973), Axelsson et al. (1973), Blackith (1974), Kaczmarek (1975a, b), Dunger (1975), Usher (1976), Fjellberg (1976), Ryan (1977), Lohm et al. (1977), Persson & Lohm (1977), Loksa (1978), (1979), Petersen (1980), Ponge (1980), Hutson (1980a, b), Abrahamsen et al. (1980), Bååth et al. (1981a, b), Izarra (1981), Hågvar (1982), Ponge & Prat (1982), Huhta et al. (1983), G (1983), Ponge (1983), Hågvar (1983, 1984a, b), Hågvar & Abrahamsen (1984), Poursin & Pong al. (1984), Axelsson et al. (1984), Fjellberg (1984, 1985), Arbea & Jordana (1985a, 1986), Fjellb et al. (1986), Pozo (1986), Ardanaz & Jordana (1986), Poinso-Balaguer & Tabone (1986), Pozo Huhta et al. (1986), Vilkamaa & Huhta (1986), Bolger (1986), Ponge et al. (1986), Kuznetsova (1987) & Greven (1987), Hågvar (1987), Melecis (1987), Bengtsson & Rundgren (1988), Fjellberg (1988), Pichard et al. (1989), Arbea & Jordana (1989, 1990), Hågvar & Abrahamsen (1990), Ma (1991), Gerdsmeier & Greven (1992), Ponge (1993), Babenko (1994), Kopeszki & Meyer (1994), Trockner (1994), Hågvar (1994), Rusek (1994), Fjellberg (1994), Lauga-Reyrel & Lauga (1995), Deharveng & Lek (1995), Koehler et al. (1995), Salminen et al. (1995), Rusek (1996), Shaw & L Deharveng (1996), Kopeszki & Meyer (1996), Haimi & Siira-Pietikäinen (1996), Filser & Hölsche et al. (1997), Fjellberg (1998), Therrien et al. (1999), Traser (1999), Sławska (2000), Ponge (2000) et al. (2000a, b, 2001a, b), Loranger et al. (2001), Ojala & Huhta (2001), Siira-Pietikäinen et al. (2002), Kuznetsova (2002), Pflug & Wolters (2002), Babenko (2002), Lek-Ang & Deharveng (2002), Ponge (2002), Shrubovych (2002), Ponge et al. (2002, 2003), Chauvat et al. (2003), Stebaeva (2003a, b), Gruia (2003), Cassagne et al. (2003, 2004), Lindberg & Persson (2004), Materna (2004), Petersen et al. (2004), Garnier & Ponge (2004), Gillet & Ponge (2004), Dunger et al. (2004), Lindberg & Bengtsson (2005), Kuznetsova (2006), Traser & Horváth-Szováti (2006), Hu Syrek et al. (2006), Ponge et al. (2006), Sleptzova & Reznikova (2006), Chauvat et al. (2007), J (2007), Hopkin (2007), Raschmanová et al. (2008), Salamon et al. (2008), Mordkovich et al. (2008, 2009), Auclerc et al. (2009), Salamon & Alpei (2009), Sławska & Sławski (2009)
arenicola	2	Palacios-Vargas & Vázquez (1988), Palacios-Vargas & Thibaud (2001)
arida	2	Fjellberg (1991), Addison et al. (2006)
bedosae	3	d'Haese (1998), Thibaud (2004), Raschmanová et al. (2008)
bellingeri	1	Palacios-Vargas & Vázquez (1988)
brevispina	10	Hüther (1962), Rapoport (1962), Palacios-Vargas (1987), Najt et al. (1990), Christiansen & Belli Thibaud (1993), d'Haese & Weiner (1998), Thibaud & Palacios-Vargas (1999), Culik & Zeppelin al. (2006)
buddenbrocki	19	Hüther (1959, 1962), Rapoport & Rubio (1963), Gough (1972), Ponge (1983), Arpin et al. (1984) al. (1985), Fjellberg (1992), Ponge (1993), Sabatini et al. (1997), Jordana et al. (1997), Rebecch Ponge (2000a), Chauvat & Ponge (2002), Gómez-Anaya & Palacios-Vargas (2004), Thibaud (2005), Ponge (2005), Hopkin (2007)
bulbosa	2	Bonet (1945), Cutz-Pool et al. (2007)
christianseni	1	d'Haese (1998)
deharvengi	1	d'Haese & Weiner (1998)
delamarei	1	Prabhoo (1971)
denisi	77	Gisin (1960), Cassagnau (1961), Hüther (1962), Petersen (1965), Szeptycki (1967), Nosek (1967), Bödvarsson (1973), Axelsson et al. (1973), Fjellberg (1976), Bonnet et al. (1976, 1979), Hutson Lienhard (1980), Bååth et al. (1980), Ponge & Prat (1982), Hågvar (1982, 1983), Gers & Izarra (1984), Kanno (1984), Hågvar & Abrahamsen (1984), Axelsson et al. (1984), Fjellberg (1984, 1985), Jordana (1985b, 1986), Pozo et al. (1986), Bolger (1986), Kuznetsova (1987), Melecis (1987), E Rundgren (1988), Fjellberg (1988), Arbea & Jordana (1989), Gerdsmeier & Greven (1992), Batt (1993), Kopeszki & Meyer (1994), Kopeszki & Trockner (1994), Lopes & da Gama (1994), Deha (1995), Rusek & Marshall (1995), Rusek (1996), Deharveng (1996), Jordana et al. (1997), Fjellb

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dubia	3	Christiansen & Bellinger (1980), Benner & Kannowski (1984), d'Haese (1998)
elisabethum	1	Weiner (1986)
fjellbergi	3	Babenko (2003a, b), Thibaud (2004)
granulata	3	Fjellberg (1984, 1985), Addison et al. (2006)
intermedia	60	Mills (1934), Bellinger (1954), Hüther (1962), Wray et al. (1963), Szeptycki (1967), Gough (1972), Huhta et al. (1979), Lienhard (1980), Ponge & Prat (1982), Ponge (1983), Arpin et al. (1984), Ponge (1984), Arbea & Jordana (1986), Bolger (1986), Weiner (1986), Lucíañez Sánchez & Simón Benito (1988), Simón Benito & Pozo Martínez (1988), Fjellberg (1988), Sterzynska (1989), Arbea & Jordana (1990), Rusek (1990), Zerling (1990), Sterzinska (1990), Palacios-Vargas (1990), Fjellberg (1992), Ponge (1992), Battigelli & Marshall (1993), Kováč & Miklisová (1995), Rusek & Marshall (1995), Filser (1995), Ponge (1997), Jordana et al. (1997), da Gama et al. (1997, 1998), Fjellberg (1998), Barrocas et al. (1999), Ponge (2000a), Loranger et al. (2001), Otrysko & Pagé (2001), Shrubovych (2002), Traser (2002), Stebaeva (2003), Addison et al. (2003), Ponge et al. (2003), Petersen et al. (2004), Dunger et al. (2004), Kováč et al. (2005), Gillet & Ponge (2005), Traser & Horváth-Szováti (2006), Addison et al. (2006), Sleptzova & Reznikova (2006), Debeljak et al. (2007), Hopkin (2007), Raschmanová et al. (2008), Babenko (2008)
iztacchuatlensis	2	García-Gómez & Cutz-Pool (2008), García-Gómez et al. (2009)
japonica	2	Tanaka & Kitazawa (1982), Thibaud (2004)
koreana	2	Thibaud & Lee (1994), Thibaud (2004)
meybolae	1	Palacios-Vargas (1987)
multilobata	8	Gers & Deharveng (1985), Fjellberg (1992, 1998), Babenko (2003a, b), Sterzynska & Bolger (2004), Hopkin (2007)
nadchatrami	2	Yosii (1959), McClure et al. (1967)
namibiae	1	Thibaud & Massoud (1988)
neocaledonica	5	Weiner (1991), d'Haese & Weiner (1998), Thibaud (2002, 2009a, b)
nepalensis	2	d'Haese & Weiner (1998), Thibaud (2004)
nosyboraha	1	Thibaud (2008)
persimilis	6	Bonet (1945), Hüther (1962), Palacios-Vargas (1981), Palacios-Vargas & Gómez-Anaya (1993), Palacios-Vargas (2004), Cutz-Pool et al. (2007)
psammophila	1	Palacios-Vargas & Thibaud (2001)
scandinavica	34	Gisin (1947), Haybach (1959), Hüther (1962), Gough (1972), Dunger (1975), Fjellberg (1976, 1994), Arbea & Jordana (1986), Fjellberg (1988, 1994), Babenko (1994), Hertzberg et al. (1994), Kováč (1994), Marshall (1995), Koehler et al. (1995), Sterzyńska & Ehrnsberger (1997), Jordana et al. (1997), Traser (1999), Babenko (2000), Shrubovych (2002), Traser (2002), Bondarenko-Borisova & Saratovskaya (2003), Babenko (2003a, b), Thibaud (2004), Kováč et al. (2005), Sørensen et al. (2006), Traser & Horváth-Szováti (2006), Arbea & Martínez Monteagudo (2006), Moseley (2007), Hopkin (2007), Raschmanová et al. (2008)
setonychia	1	Prabhoo (1971)
shanghaiensis	1	Yue (1999)
similis	20	Mills (1934), Weber (1950), Wray (1950), Wray et al. (1963), Benner & Kannowski (1984), Fjellberg (1984, 1986, 1988), Rusek (1994), Babenko (1994), Fjellberg (1994, 1998), d'Haese (1998), Babenko (2000), Thibaud (2004), Sørensen et al. (2006), Addison et al. (2006)
subbulbosa	1	Thibaud (1994)
tali	1	Kaprus' & Nevo (2003)
trilobata	1	Barra (1995)
trisphaerae	7	Babenko (2002), Stebaeva (2003), Babenko (2003a, b), Thibaud (2004), Babenko (2008, 2009)
unispina	1	Fjellberg (2007)
virae	5	Kaprus' (1997), Skarżyński & Smolis (2002), Thibaud (2004), Traser & Horváth-Szováti (2006), (2006)
wandae	3	Tamura & Zhao (1997), d'Haese & Weiner (1998), Thibaud (2004)

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2592 Appendix S2c – Exploration of bias due to differences between species in numbers of records
2593 in the literature.

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2595 Methods: Because species differed in the number of records from which harshness-breadth
2596 was estimated (see above Appendix S2b, column 2), we also verified whether the number of
2597 records was ‘phylogenetically conserved’. For this, we also used the root-skewness test with
2598 Euclidean distances among species. This test aims to highlight whether our results were
2599 biased by differences among species in the amount of knowledge on their environmental
2600 distribution. This approach is conservative: the intensive study of a species may increase the
2601 number of records in harsh environments (bias), but a species’ use of harsh environments may
2602 also increase the chance of being observed in many of the environments studied (non-bias).

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2604 Results: There was no phylogenetic structure in the number of literature records (root-
2605 skewness test P-value = 0.326) even after log-transformation (root-skewness test P-value =
2606 0.291) indicating that the analyses done in the main text on the link between phylogeny and
2607 properties of species do not depend on the extent to which these species were studied in the
2608 literature.

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2612 Appendix S2d: Salinity and tolerance to harshness.

2613 We showed that in the genus *Willemia* tolerance to salinity (use of haline habitats) was negatively
2614 correlated to other types of harshness and that ‘haline’ species exhibited on average a higher clade
2615 rank than species tolerant of other harshness factors such as drought, frost, acidity, waterlogging
2616 (anaerobiosis) or heavy metals. In the absence of ecophysiological studies on the genus *Willemia*,
2617 which is probably explained by the small size of these animals and their concealed way of life
2618 (d’Haese, 2000), only putative arguments can be given for rejecting salinity as a harshness factor to
2619 which *Willemia* should adapt for life on the seashore. A strong attraction to sodium (compared to
2620 potassium) has been shown to occur in *Heteromurus nitidus*, another soil-dwelling springtail species
2621 (Salmon et al., 2002). Thibaud (2007), on the base of biogeographic arguments, postulated that
2622 transport by sea currents could be responsible for the occurrence of the same *Willemia* species on
2623 remote seashores, whether insular or continental. Witteveen *et al.* (1987) showed that the ionic
2624 concentration of the haemolymph of inland Collembola equilibrated rapidly with sea water when
2625 transferred to seashore conditions. It could be suggested that permanent contact with dilute saline
2626 solutions (seashores, but not dry saline environments) needs no special adaptation in basal Hexapoda,
2627 contrary to fully terrestrial insects (higher insects), for which potassium is an essential element which
2628 replaces sodium (Wigglesworth, 1965). The ancestry of life in sea water versus freshwater has been
2629 shown to be the rule in aquatic invertebrates (Lee & Bell, 1999). The separation we performed
2630 between tolerance to drought and to salinity, based on ecophysiological and biocenotic grounds
2631 (Hartmut *et al.*, 1995; Thibaud, 2007), and supported by studies on other animal groups (Gomez-
2632 Mestre & Tejedo, 2005), might explain why psammophily (life in sand), which confounds both
2633 adaptation to drought and to salinity, exhibits a high degree of reversal along phylogenetic trees of the
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2661 Appendix S2e: Identification and interpretation of biogeographic provinces.

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2663 The Gondwana (Antarctica, South America, Africa, Australasia, Madagascar, India and
2664 Himalaya, South-East Asia, Caribbean) or Laurasia (North America, Greenland, Europe, Asia
2665 except South-East Asia) origin of each biogeographic province was estimated from maps by
2666 McLoughlin (2001), except for Macaronesia (volcanic islands of North Atlantic) and Central
2667 America which did not exist at the time of Pangea disruption and the spread of present-day
2668 continents. Obviously, these two biogeographic distributions are strongly linked but they are
2669 not identical. While all 20 species from the former Laurasia domain are extra-tropical, only 8
2670 of the 12 species from former Gondwana domain are tropical. In the latter analyses we only
2671 accounted for the 32 species which could be classified for both tropical/non-tropical and
2672 Gondwana/Laurasia distribution, permitting better comparability. Accounting for all species,
2673 however, lead to the same qualitative conclusions. We are aware of the fact that strong
2674 geographic discrepancies exist in the sampling effort devoted to Collembola (Deharveng,
2675 2004). This is why we used the number of records per species (used as a proxy for sampling
2676 effort) to check for the absence of biases due to sampling imbalances (see Appendix S2c).

2677 The above biogeographic classifications correspond to very general trends in
2678 environmental harshness. For species that are particularly sensitive to moisture deficits, such
2679 as the majority of Collembola, regions receiving a high amount of rainfall will on average be
2680 less harsh. For species that are not able to increase their body temperature above that of the
2681 immediate environment, such as again Collembola, regions of high temperatures will on
2682 average be less harsh. In that sense, the Inter-Tropical Convergence Zone, with a reasonably
2683 warm (cloudy) and moist climate, will be favorable to most sensitive species. Besides
2684 coldness and aridity, acid and metal-contaminated soils were also considered as harsh

2685 habitats. Indeed, most tropical soils are acid, at least they exhibit pH values less than 5.
2686 However, if we except areas degraded by human activities in the tropics (pasture, mining,...),
2687 tropical rain forests are not characterized by nutrient shortage, due to (i) high organic inputs
2688 from the overstory, (ii) a high rate of mineral weathering in the soil. Tropical soils are fragile
2689 but not poor in nutrients, at least in the top few centimeters where most soil animals (*Willemia*
2690 included) are living (see Dos Santos Neves *et al.*, 2010; Brookshire *et al.*, 2012). Obviously,
2691 tropical areas also include harsher environments (which have been coded as such in our
2692 database), more especially in mountains above 3000 m (the Andes), white sands and
2693 seashores. As explained in the Introduction, during much of the geological past, environments
2694 might have been on average harsher on Laurasia rather than on Gondwana paleocontinents
2695 (Vršanský, 2005; Crisp *et al.*, 2010), among others reflecting the larger surface of landmasses
2696 of northern than of southern temperate regions which may lead to more climatic and thereby
2697 edaphic extremes in Laurasia and descendant land masses (except for Antarctica) (Chown *et*
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Appendix 3 – Table. Biogeographic provenance of *Willemia* species. Biogeographic provinces according to Christiansen & Bellinger (1995). Gondwana-inherited provinces in italic type, Eurasia-inherited provinces in italic type, non-defined (Macaronesia and Central America) in normal type. Species belonging to both old continents were classified as *ambigua*. Columns corresponding to tropical provinces are shaded

	1	2a	2b	3a	3b	4	5	6	7a	7b	8	10	14	15	17	18	19	20	21	24a	24b	25	27	28	29	36	Gondwana	Laurasia	Non-defined	
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<i>anophthalma</i>	√	√	√		√	√	√			√	√														√				√	
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<i>scandinavica</i>	√	√					√																					√		
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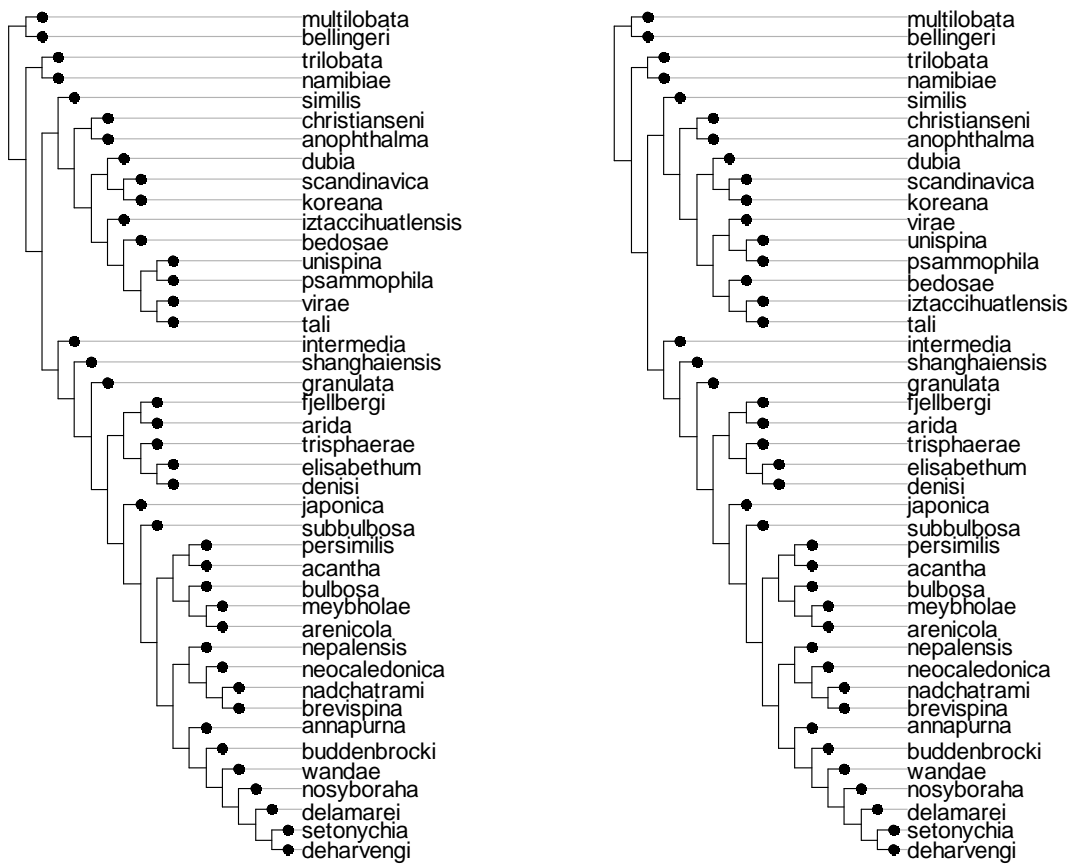
2722 **Appendix S3. Robustness of the analysis to variation in underlying phylogenetic trees**

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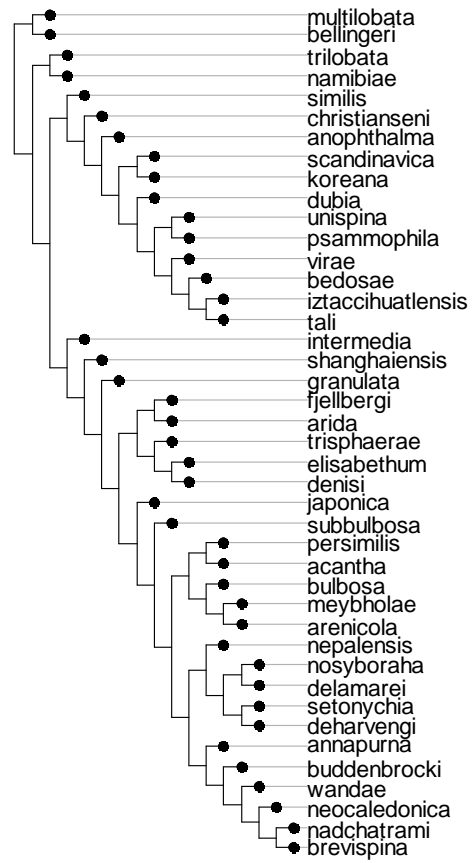
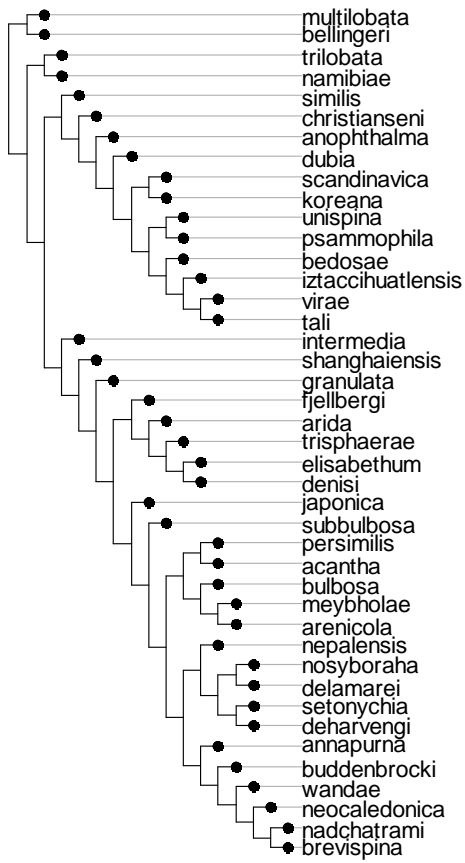
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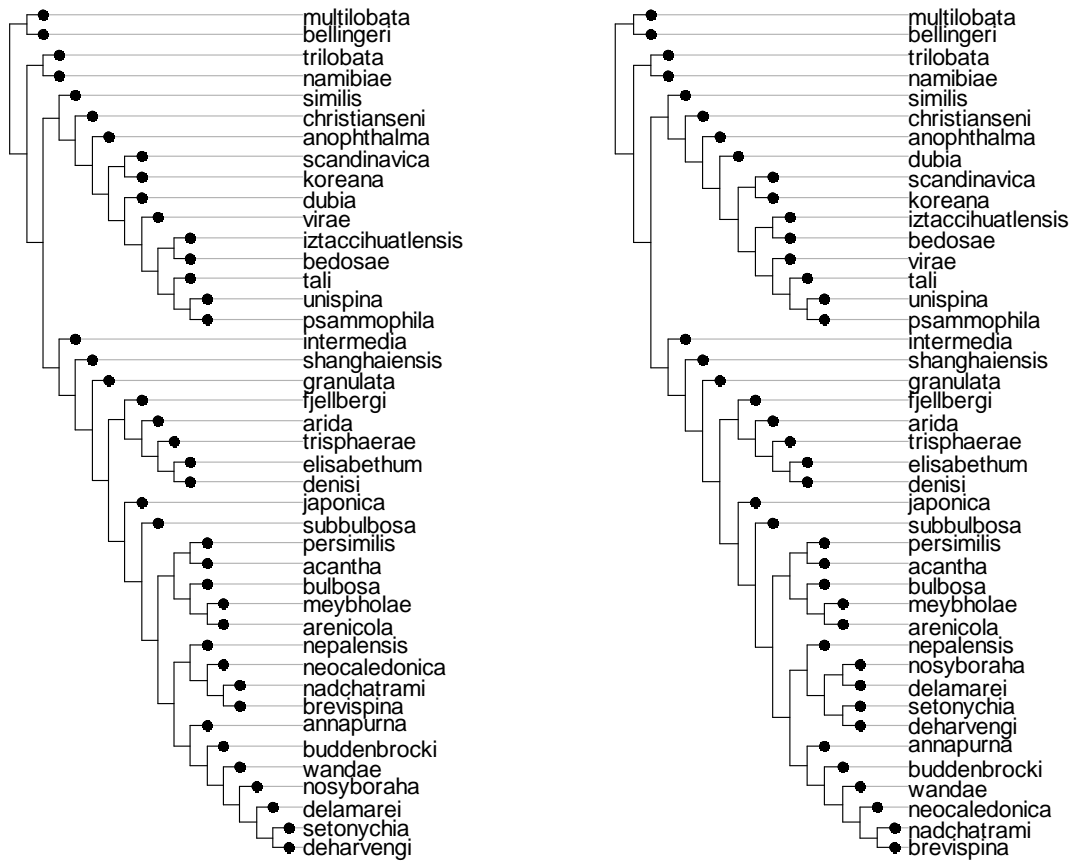
2725 *According to all these analyses, the results obtained with the 6 most parsimonious trees are*

2726 *equivalent to those obtained with the resulting tree used in the main text.*



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2732 **Phylogenetic conservatism in the use of harsh habitats**

2733 With all phylogenetic trees, the types of harshness under which species were found exhibited

2734 clear phylogenetic conservatism (root-skewness test P values varied from 0.001 to 0.003 for a

2735 statistic varying from 0.616 to 0.647, 1 meaning that the whole trait variation is at the root

2736 node). Also the number of types of harsh habitats used by a species was phylogenetically

2737 conserved (root-skewness test P values varied from 0.013 to 0.043, for a statistic varying from

2738 0.623 to 0.660). When salinity was excluded from the array of harsh habitats a stronger

2739 conservatism was registered (root-skewness test P values varied from 0.001 to 0.019, for a

2740 statistic varying from 0.659 to 0.699). The presence/absence of *Willemia* species in harsh

2741 habitats (instead of their number used) exhibited an even clearer phylogenetic conservatism

2742 when salinity was excluded from the array of harsh habitat (root-skewness test with all P
2743 values equal to 0.001, for a statistic varying from 0.754 to 0.786).

2744 **Uses of most types of harsh habitats are positively correlated**

2745 Phylogenetic principal components analysis (pPCA) showed strong positive correlations
2746 between all types of harsh habitats, with the exception of salinity. Use of all other types of
2747 harsh habitats scored distinctly positively on the same Principal Component (Fig. 1).

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2749 Appendix S3 Table. Ordination of correlations between uses of different types of harsh
 2750 habitats, analysed by pPCA analysis (multivariate analysis based on phylogenetic distances).
 2751 The table gives coordinates of harsh habitat types along the first principal component for the 6
 2752 dichotomous phylogenies provided above. Note that except for salinity, uses of habitats of all
 2753 types of harshness are positively correlated.

	Phy1	Phy2	Phy3	Phy4	Phy5	Phy6
Xeric	-.343	-.398	-.396	-.414	-.426	-.395
Hydric	-.183	-.177	-.190	-.176	-.181	-.188
Arctic	-.389	-.395	-.380	-.420	-.398	-.373
Alpine	-.482	-.453	-.461	-.432	-.450	-.470
Acid	-.581	-.559	-.566	-.548	-.552	-.567
Metallic	-.201	-.198	-.197	-.202	-.190	-.195
Saline	.296	.312	.303	.305	.291	.299

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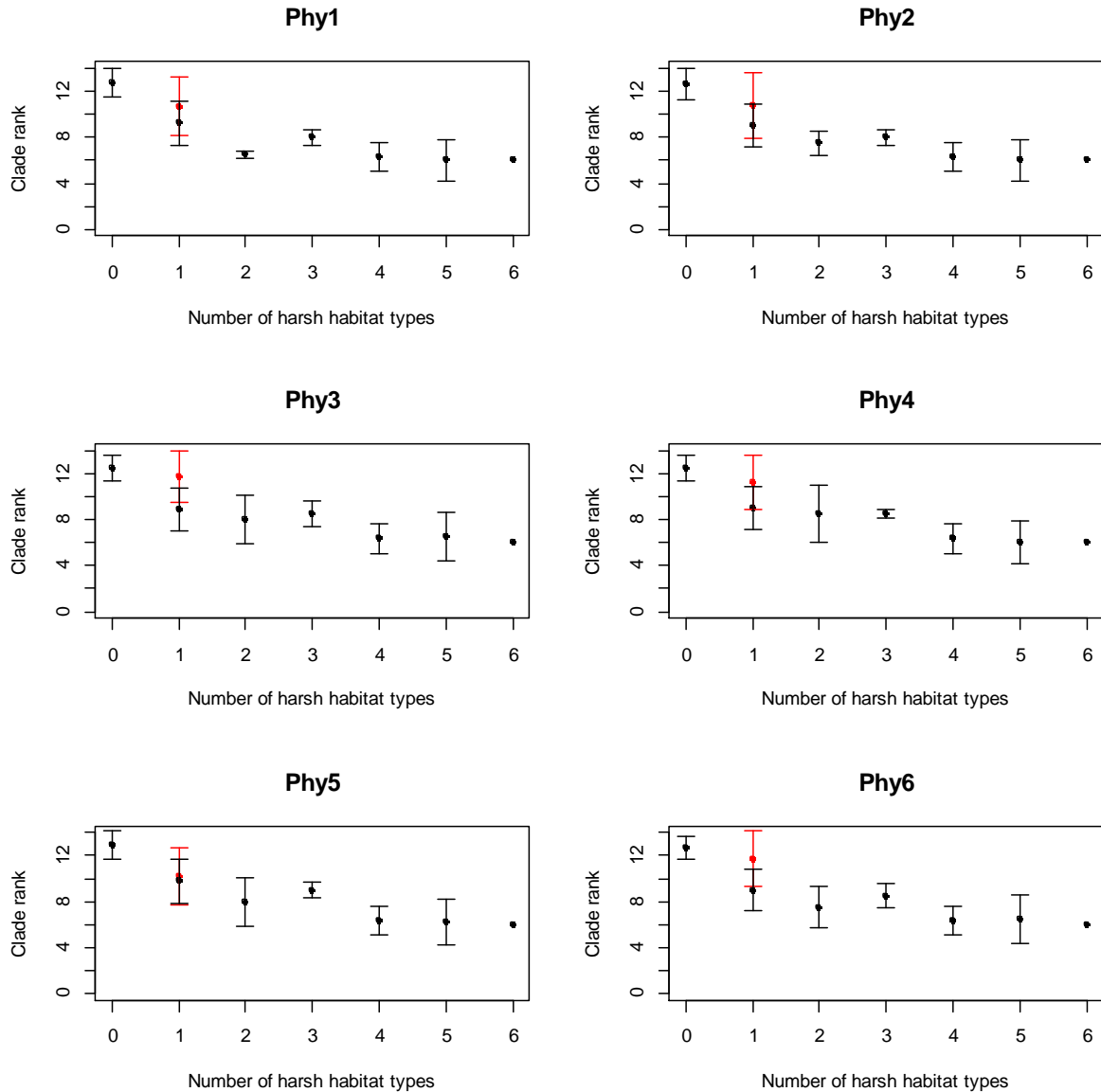
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2756 **Species using harsh habitats have lower clade ranks but are as numerous as species**
 2757 **using mesic habitats**

2758 We found that the clade rank of species decreased with species' harshness breadth (PGLS;
 2759 df=40, P values varied from 0.002 to 0.003 depending on the dichotomous phylogeny used).

2760 When salinity was excluded it appeared that the distance to the root of the phylogenetic tree
 2761 was quite similar for all species using harsh habitats, independent of the number of harsh

2762 habitat types they were using, all of the harshness-tolerant species being placed in a basal
 2763 position (Appendix S4 Figure).



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2765 **Appendix S3 Figure.** Clade ranks, i.e. nodal distances to the root, of species using different
 2766 numbers of harsh habitat types. Error bar = S.E. Note that species that do not use any
 2767 harsh habitat are at a higher distance from the root (see text for analyses). This
 2768 analysis has been done for each dichotomous phylogenetic tree given above. Species
 2769 having a single harsh habitat type have been separated into those affected by salinity
 2770 (red) and those affected by another harsh habitat type (black).

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2772 **Geographical distributions: Species using harsh habitats tend to be Laurasian, and as a**
2773 **statistical consequence Laurasians tend to have low clade ranks**

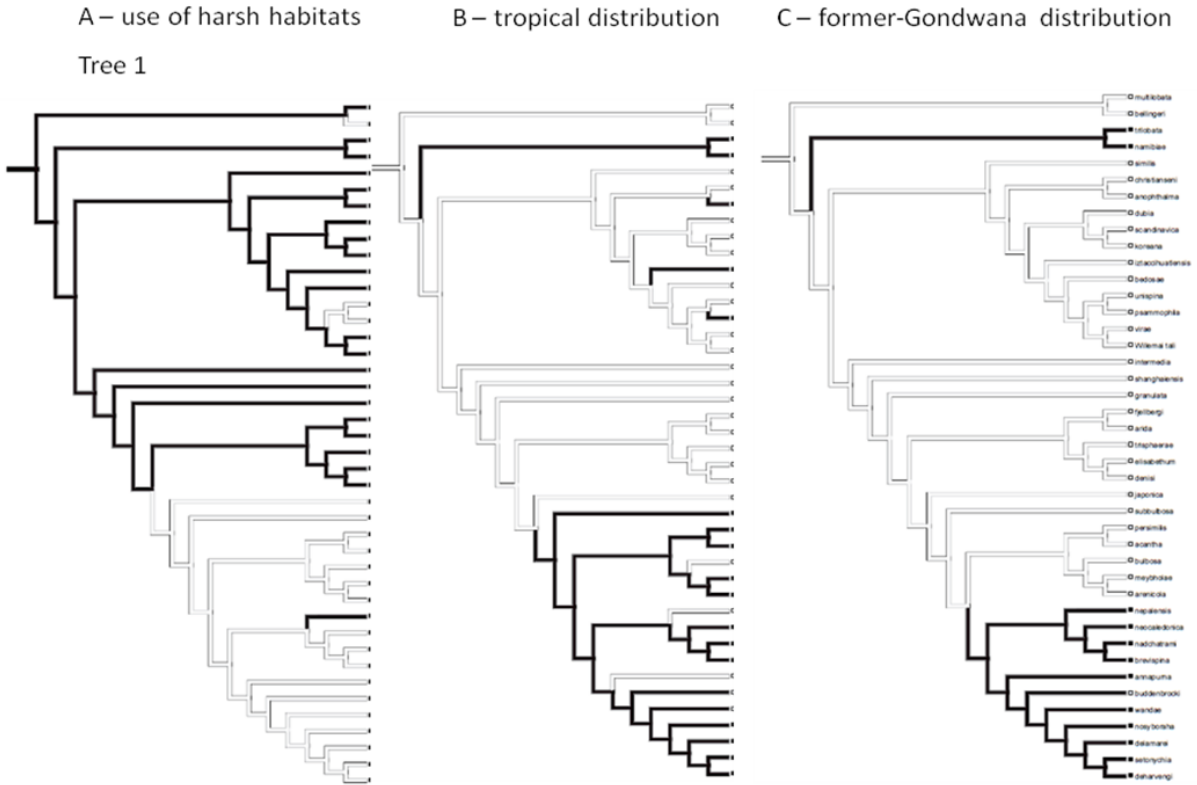
2774 We found that species using harsh and mesic habitats were distributed differently across the
2775 globe. Species using harsh habitats tended to occur in present non-tropical regions, albeit the
2776 relationship was relatively weak (PGLS; $df = 30$; P values varying from 0.0004 to 0.0553). At
2777 the same time, species using harsh habitats were strongly restricted to former Laurasia regions
2778 (PGLS; $df = 30$; P values varying from 0.0002 to 0.0103).

2779 Low clade-rank species were strongly restricted to present non-tropical regions ($n = 31$
2780 in all tests of this paragraph, tests based on phylogenetic permutations, all P values equal
2781 0.001 whatever the dichotomous phylogenetic tree used). This relationship was maintained
2782 when including harshness breadth as a co-variable: harshness breadth and presence in present-
2783 day tropical regions were both related to low clade rank (P values were equal to 0.001 for
2784 harshness breadth, and they varied from 0.001 to 0.009 for presence in present-day tropical
2785 regions depending on the phylogenetic tree used; conclusions were not impacted by the order
2786 in which the two explanatory variables were entered in the model: changing the order gave P
2787 varying from 0.034 to 0.051 for harshness breadth, and equal 0.001 for presence in present-
2788 day tropical regions). Therefore the high harshness-tolerance of non-tropical species did not
2789 explain their low clade rank. Species of low clade rank also tended to be restricted to former
2790 Laurasia regions (P varied from 0.005 to 0.013 depending on the phylogenetic tree used).
2791 When including first occurrence in former Laurasia and second harshness breadth, both
2792 variables were significant (P varied from 0.002 to 0.004 for occurrence in former Laurasia,
2793 and from 0.007 to 0.017 for harshness breadth). But this relationship disappeared when
2794 including first harshness breadth in the model: occurrence in former Laurasia was not
2795 significant (P varying 0.239 from to 0.294) while harshness breadth was significantly related

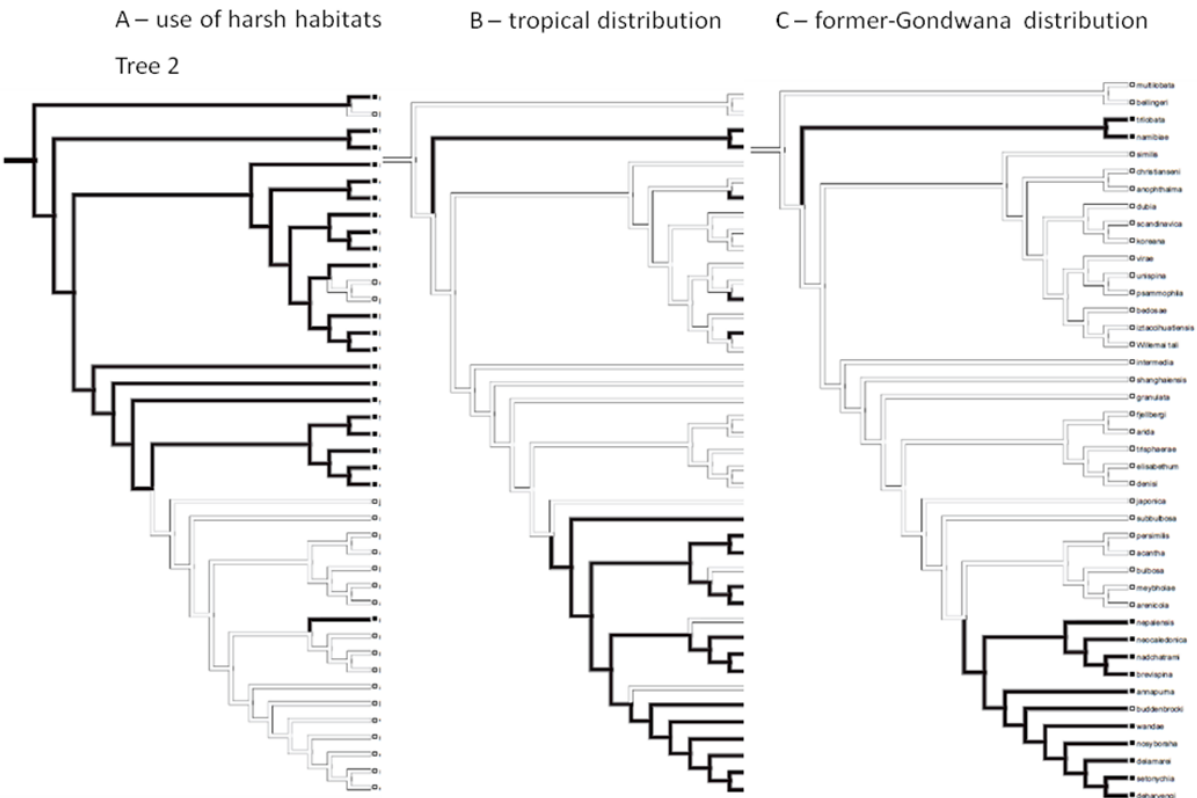
2796 to low clade rank (P varying from 0.001 to 0.002). Overall, this indicated that species using
2797 harsh environments are particularly bound to former Laurasia continents (above paragraph)
2798 and that - as a statistical consequence - we find many species of low clade rank on former
2799 Laurasia continents.

2800 **Reconstructions of ancestral states**

2801 The below graphs show the reconstructions of the three traits analysed for each of the six
 2802 trees. Visiul inspection shows that the different trees lead to the same conclusions on which
 2803 trait states are ancestral and when they have changed throughout evolution.



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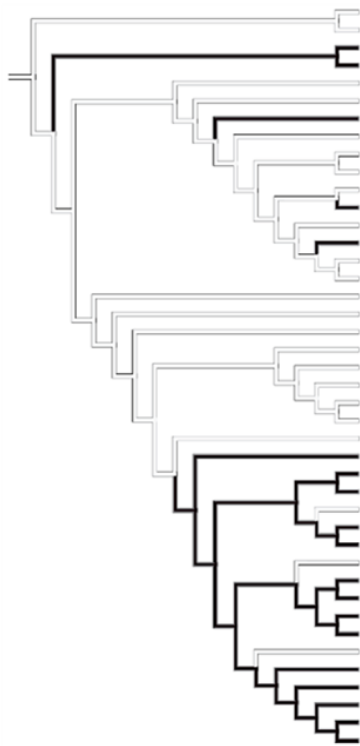
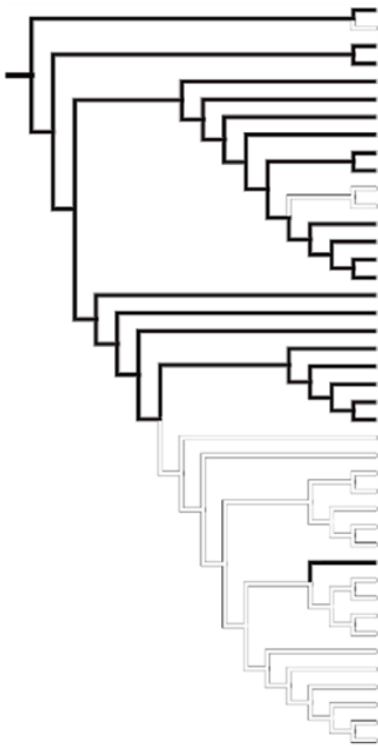
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A – use of harsh habitats

B – tropical distribution

C – former-Gondwana distribution

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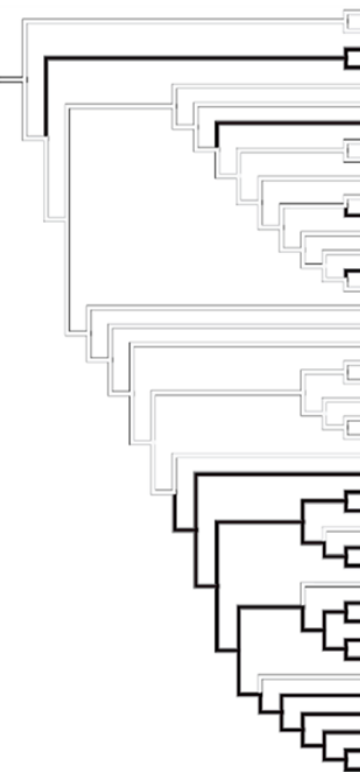
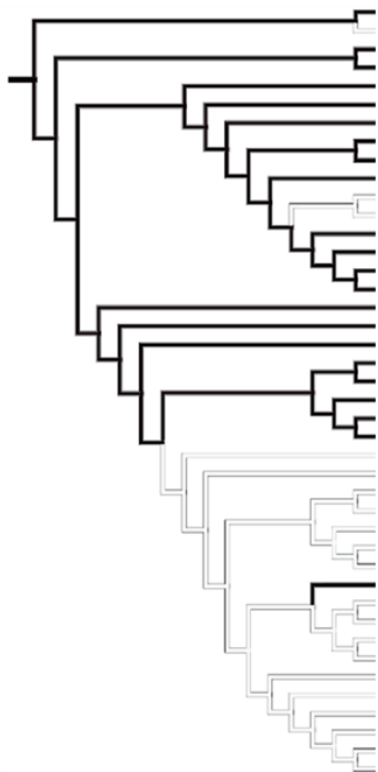
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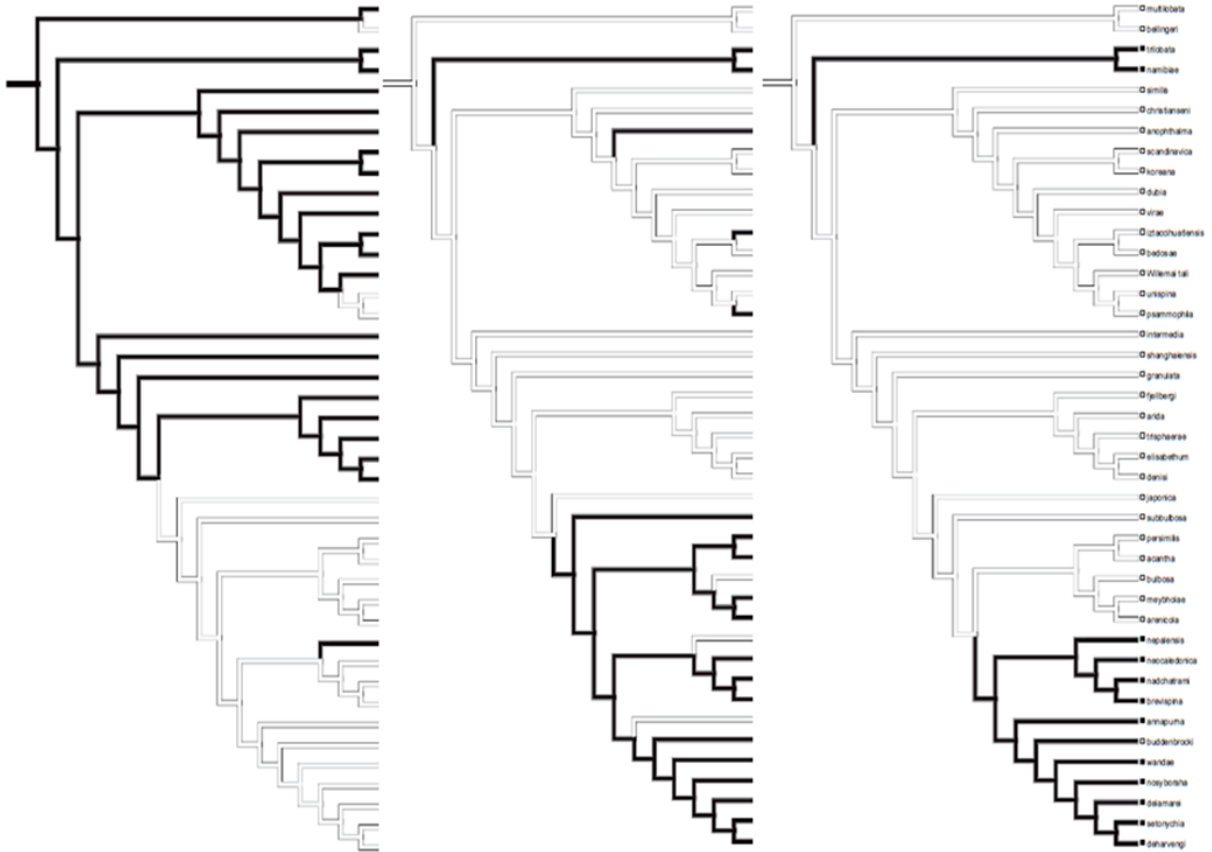
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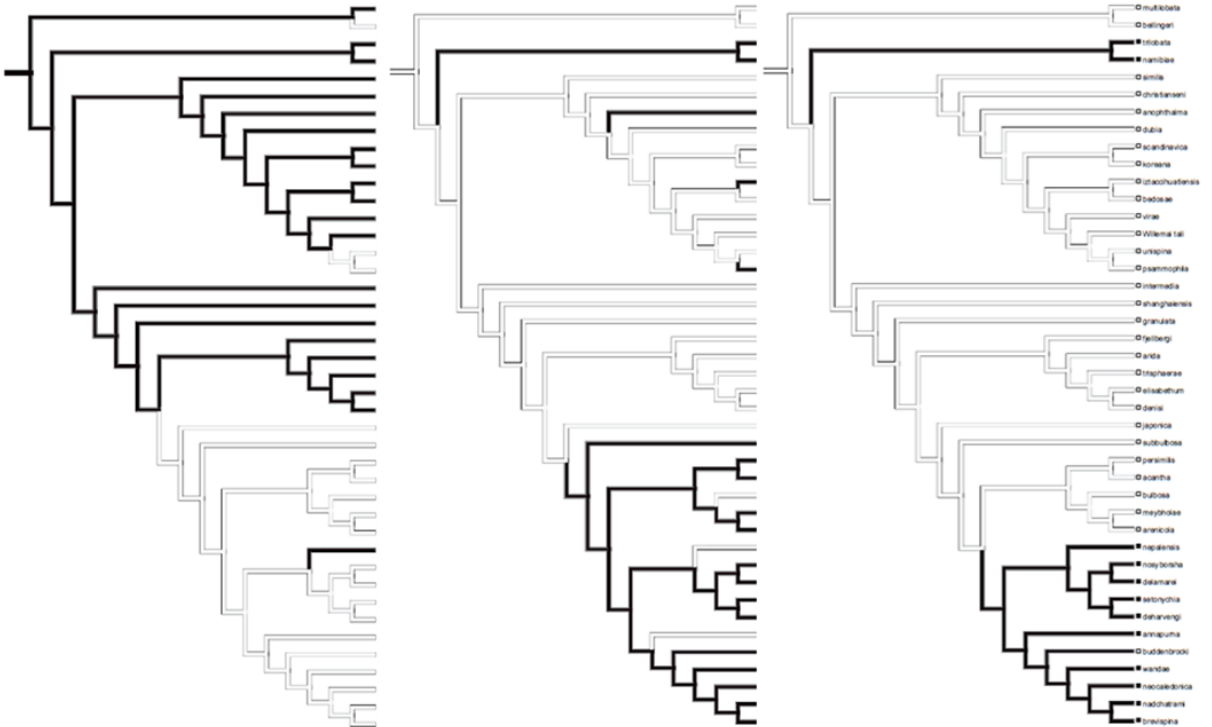
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Tree 6



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